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Bombing trial told of IRA death diary

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

A Provisional IRA plan to create bloodshed and havoc in London and 12 resorts last summer was revealed by a "bombing calendar" discovered when police raided a Glasgow flat, the the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

In a basement nearby, police uncovered six days later "one of the most significant and deadly collections of terrorist material ever found in this country", the court was told. One expert estimated there was enough material for at least 24 bombs.

The results of the raids last June were described yesterday on the second day of the trial of the Belfast man accused of bombing the Grand Hotel, Brighton, in 1984 on the last night of the Conservative Party conference.

On Tuesday, Mr Patrick Joseph Magee, pleaded not guilty to seven charges connected with the Brighton bombing, including five counts of murder. He and four others pleaded not guilty to conspiring to cause explosions last year between January and June.

Yesterday Mr Roy Amlot, for the prosecution, said the five, three men and two women, were arrested at the Glasgow flat on June 22. The raid revealed "an outrageous plot to place 16 bombs – each with either a 24 or 48-day delay – in this country to explode on consecutive days, except Sundays, between July 19 and August 5 last year".

Mr Amlot said the bombing plan was "the work of Provisional IRA. No doubt the object was to create havoc and bloodshed throughout the country."

Four bombs were destined for targets in London and the other 12 were allegedly intended for Brighton, Dover, Ramsgate, Blackpool, Eastbourne, Bournemouth, Torquay, Great Yarmouth, Folkestone, Margate, Southend and Southampton.

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During the raid on the Glasgow flat, Mr Amlot said police found a money belt worn by one of the defendants which contained what he called a "bombing programme, calendar". It included details of the type of bomb, targets, planned dates of the explosions, timings and the use booby-traps.

The belt was worn by Mr Gerard McDonnell, the court was told. When police made their raid Mr McDonnell had a loaded Browning automatic pistol in the waistband of his trousers.

Mr Amlot said the calendar was "deadly accurate" because the day after the raid police in London found the first of the bombs, planted by Mr Magee, as suggested by the calendar.

A bomb of 3½lbs of explosive had been left in a room at the Rubens Hotel opposite the mews of Buckingham Palace in Victoria. It included a booby-trap device and had been left in a bedside cabinet, which had to be unscrewed. It was due to explode at 1pm on July 29.

When the cellar was searched six days after the raid at the Glasgow flat, other devices were found in preparation. Mr Amlot said nine months after the bombing at Brighton Mr Magee was using the same modus operandi to place a bomb.

After the blast at the Grand Hotel police could not trace a man called Roy Walsh who stayed in Room 629, the seat of the bomb, the month before the Conservative Party conference. They found his London address was false.

He stayed in the hotel with a second unknown person, paid in cash and was discreet. On the last night in Room 629 Mr Walsh ordered a bottle of vodka and soft drinks.

In early June 1985 a Mr T Morton stayed in Room 112 at the Rubens Hotel. This was the room where the bomb was found, and Mr Morton's address proved to be false too.

When Mr Magee was arrested, his fingerprints and part of a palm print was found on the registration card for Mr Walsh at the Brighton Hotel, Mr Amlot said. A handwriting expert believed the writing on the registration card was similar to Mr Magee's handwriting.



Losing smile from Mr Scargill yesterday as he leaves the High Court in Manchester.

Scargill to pay 6-figure costs

By Peter Davenport

Mr Arthur Scargill, the president of the National Union of Mineworkers, faces costs running to six figures after losing his action against the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire for wrongful imprisonment.

On the tenth day of the case at the High Court in Manchester, in which Mr Scargill had been seeking exemplary damages, a jury of six men and five women yesterday took three hours and 43 minutes to reach a unanimous verdict against him.

They decided that he had not been detained wrongfully outside his home near Barnsley in July 1982 while being questioned by police about alleged speeding on the M1.

The judge, Mr Justice Simon Brown, awarded costs against the miner's leader. Estimates at the end of the case, which lasted twice as long as had been expected, said that costs would run into six figures.

After the case Mr Scargill said that although he had been instructed to bring the action by the national executive of the NUM, he did not expect the union would have to part with any funds towards the costs.

"Based upon the number of people and organizations who have already indicated support for my action, in addition to the contributions I will be making, there will be no costs to the union," he said.

However, Mr Scargill refused to disclose the organization or individuals involved or indicate how much financial support they had offered. He added that after the mineworkers' union had been placed in receivership he was not paid any salary between March and November last year. That money, estimated at about £15,000, would be going towards the costs.

Mr Scargill said that he had successfully fought 29 libel cases and that damages he had

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Building societies to offer personal pension schemes

By Lawrence Lever

Building societies are to be allowed to provide personal pension plans to the public, Mr Ian Stewart, Economic Secretary to the Treasury said yesterday.

The announcement, contained in a parliamentary written answer, was welcomed by the Building Societies Association and building society chiefs yesterday. It will open up a new multi-million pound market for the building society industry, and lead to widescale recruitment by societies of fund-management expertise.

Mr Stewart said that building societies would be given "a power to invest in a subsidiary of associated company established for the sole purpose of making provision for pensions on a money purchase basis."

In addition, he said that the subsidiary would need to operate as a unit trust authorized under the financial services legislation.

The personal pension plan regime is contained in the Social Securities Bill, pioneered by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, is not scheduled to become law until 1988.

The structure proposed yesterday by Mr Stewart makes it clear that societies will not be underwriting or insuring the pension funds, although they will be providing the fund-management services.

Societies will be able to invest a proportion of their funds in their own fixed-interest accounts, although there are likely to be limits on the exact proportion.

A spokesman for the Building Societies Association said yesterday: "We warmly welcome the Government's announcement. It will allow us to offer a competitive service to the public."

● A warning to building societies not to lend money recklessly to home-owners was given by Mr Roy Cox, Chairman of the Building Societies Association yesterday.

Mr Cox said that building societies had promised home loans worth a total of £3 billion last month – a record.

At the BSA annual conference in Bournemouth, Mr Cox said that imprudent lending would lead to increased levels of mortgage arrears and encourage borrowers to overstretch themselves.

"For many years building societies effectively had a choice of creditworthy applicants seeking to purchase properties which represented good security to lend on. Now they are having to work hard to obtain an adequate volume of sound business. It is a natural temptation to relax lending standards in order to obtain the desired volume of business, and societies do need to tread very cautiously in this area," he said.

The Chernobyl disaster

Double checks on radiation as unease spreads

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

The Soviet authorities yesterday gave the first hint of the magnitude of the costly decontamination programme now being carried out in a wide area of the Ukraine around the stricken and still leaking nuclear reactor at Chernobyl.

The area has been declared prohibited territory to all foreign journalists and diplomats, but a report from two special Tass correspondents said that all roads in the region were now being washed down regularly by a special fleet of lorries.

They said that radiation-control check-points had been established at all major crossroads and that local radio had been instructed to break its earlier silence and carry regular reports on radiation levels.

The account, the fullest yet released by the agency, came amid growing indications of unease among ordinary Soviet citizens, who are only now beginning to appreciate the seriousness of the disaster.

The report said that double radiation checks were now being made on all local produce, but also claimed that livestock evacuated from the high-risk exclusion zone extending 18 miles from the reactor were still being tended rather than put down.

Despite its propagandist tone, the report said that "the situation remains disquieting".

Earlier, despite the official Tass claim of "calm, confident and full-blooded life" continuing in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev after the broadcast of the first public health warnings there earlier this week, French students contacted from Moscow said that pregnant women were being evacuated from the city some 60 miles from the damaged reactor, and that young Soviet children were being urged to stay indoors.

Yesterday morning at the huge Kiev railway station near the centre of Moscow, three trains which arrived from the Ukrainian capital were all packed with unaccompanied children, which one Westerner estimated was 70 per cent of the passengers disembarking.

In an interview with the communist party paper *Sovetskaya Rossiya*, Mr Grigori Rivenko, the Kiev region Communist Party leader admitted yesterday for the first time that some Soviet workers in Chernobyl had shirked their responsibility in tackling the disaster, which occurred in the early hours of April 26.

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Claiming that it was not enough to give out only optimistic information – which until now has been the official party line – Mr Revenko added: "You cannot hide a sin: individual workers were found who in the difficult conditions, did not display the necessary steadfastness and willingness to be at the front line."

His frank remarks to the paper, which has been in the vanguard of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov's recently discredited campaign for more open reporting in the Soviet media, jarred glaringly with Tass, whose simultaneous despatch from the Ukraine boasted that there had been no deserters.

In the interview – which caused great interest among Muscovites who had previously received only carefully sanitized offical accounts of the emergency – Mr Revenko also acknowledged that there had been problems with the evacuation, which was inexplicably delayed for some 36 hours.

Radioactive cloud may return to Scotland

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

More radioactive material may fall on Scotland in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster, the National Radiological Protection Board said yesterday. The Scottish Office said radioactivity in some Scottish milk was the highest ever recorded, but far below risk levels.

More than 100 anxious callers an hour telephoned a special inquiry unit set up in Edinburgh as ministers hastened to set up similar units in London.

Dr Roger Clarke, secretary of the protection board, said: "The meteorological office say that some of the activity might be swept back over Scotland with rain."

He calculated the chances of suffering from cancer as a direct result of the radiation as slightly less than one in a million in England and slightly more in Scotland.

Levels of radioactive caesium in milk were still rising in some northern areas "as we would expect", Dr Clarke went on.

Environmental campaigners called on the Government yesterday to issue daily information bulletins instead of the present "patchy, confusing shambles".

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Taking the strain



British Rail's commuter buff, in training to improve the network

Portfolio Gold

The Times Portfolio Gold daily competition prize of £4,000 was not won yesterday, so today there is £8,000 to be won. Portfolio list, page 24; rules and how to play, information service, page 20.

Airport strike

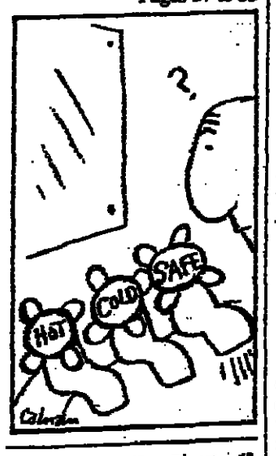
Manchester airport was set to be plunged into chaos from midnight last night as members of the Transport and General Workers Union decided on a 24-hour strike.

New president

Colin Cowdrey, the former England cricket captain, is to be president of MCC in their bicentenary year, 1987 Page 38

A new breed of managers who know how to lead will ensure that Europe will achieve industrial success once again, says the company consultant Nick Thornely in an introduction to today's nine-page General Appointments section

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Government faces biggest poll test

The Government today faces its biggest test of electoral opinion before the next General Election with about two-thirds of Britain's electors having the opportunity to vote in local elections and two vital parliamentary by-elections.

It is bracing itself for losses to both the Labour Party and the Alliance in the elections to decide who runs the 32 London boroughs, 165 English and Welsh district councils and 12 Scottish region and island councils, where it is defending many of the seats won in 1982 when the Falklands factor undoubtedly benefited the Conservative Party.

In addition, the Inner London Education Authority will be directly elected for the first time.

But it is the outcome of the parliamentary contests in West Derbyshire and Ryedale, North Yorkshire, where the Government is defending a majority of 15,000 and 16,000, which will have a more decisive impact on the pattern of politics and the Government's approach in the run-up to the next election.

Defeat in either to the Alliance could send shivers through the Conservative parliamentary party and lead to calls for reconsideration of the whole campaigning strategy of the party machine under Mr Norman Tebbit, the Conservative Party chairman.

Mr Tebbit is under attack in some senior quarters of the Tory Party for adopting an over-abrasive approach which deters middle-of-the-road voters and success for the Alliance would intensify those doubts.

Avoidance of defeat, however, would offer large consolation for what the Tories regard as inevitable losses in the council polls.

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Jubilant after the latest Gallup opinion poll which put them ahead in Ryedale and within striking distance of the Tories in West Derbyshire, the Alliance yesterday mounted an energetic last effort to take them both.

Only two of the Alliance's 25 MPs were left in Westminster, while the rest went to Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

Armed with the poll showing the Tories on 39 per cent, the Alliance on 34 per cent and Labour on 27 per cent, Mr David Steel and Dr David Owen cancelled previous engagements to return to West Derbyshire.

Campaigning in Belper, Matlock and Bakewell, they were making unashamed pleas to Labour voters to switch and vote tactically for the Alliance to defeat the Tories.

In Belper, Dr Owen was observed receiving pledges of transfers of allegiance.

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Reagan warning to Syria

Washington – President Reagan arrived back here yesterday to warm praise for his success in getting America's allies at the Tokyo summit to take a tough stand against international terrorism (Michael Binyon writes).

Before leaving Tokyo, Mr Reagan gave a clear warning that the US would not hesitate to strike at countries supporting terrorism, including Syria, if evidence implicated them.

Asked at a press conference whether the summit declaration on terrrorism was a warning to Syria as well as Libya, he replied: "Yes. . . We intend this to make them think and realize. . .that they will have to face all of us united if we get evidence they were supporting terrorism".

He added the summit had discussed "possible tools or weapons in this war against terrorism."

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Conference key to jail dispute

The result of talks intended to settle the jails dispute could depend on the case leaders of the Prison Officers' Association are able to make to its annual conference on May 20 (Peter Evans writes).

Both sides agreed the gap with management was narrowing after a meeting yesterday.

But prison officers at the conference, will expect to see the outcome before making up their minds.

Mr Phil Hornsby, an assistant secretary of the association, said yesterday he did not think it would be possible before the conference to hold the ballot to lift formally the threat of industrial action.

Yesterday's talks were still about talks. Sir Brian Cubbon, Permanent Under Secretary at the Home Office, clarifieda letter By Mr Hurd to the POA on April 22 about manning levels, pay, allowances and studies on working practices.

'Concern' over Telecom discounts

By Jeremy Warner
Business Correspondent

The Office of Telecommunications, the Government's telecommunications watchdog, has written to British Telecom to express "concern" over reports that BT is about to offer big price discounts to its major business customers in an effort to compete with its rival, Mercury Communications.

Details of the plan were leaked by members of BT's 100 Club, which comprises the corporation's most valued customers. BT had tried to swear the business customers to secrecy for fear of upsetting Oftel. The plan is believed to offer favoured customers with 20 telephone lines or more discounts of between 15 and 20 per cent on their local, national and international calls in return for a facility fee.

Professor Bryan Carsberg, director-general of Oftel, wrote to BT that discriminatory price cuts of this sort would have to be justified with detailed figures.

Mercury said it believed BT's plan was probably illegal under the terms of BT's Government licence.

Mr Gordon Owen, Mercury's managing director, said that, if reports of the plan were true, it appeared to be an abuse of BT's monopoly position and a manipulation of tariffs which was not justified



German costs lowest for 27 years

By David Smith

The cost of living in West Germany last month was lower than a year ago, the first time this has happened for nearly 27 years. Prices were down 0.2 per cent, making Germany the first major economy to have a negative inflation rate as a result of the collapse in oil prices.

Despite this, the Bundesbank appears determined to take no risks by relaxing its monetary policy. It decided yesterday to leave interest rates unchanged.

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Victory in rail strike damages battle

A businessman yesterday won an historic legal battle to make rail unions pay him damages for a strike which left him stranded.

The ruling by Judge Heaham at Sheffield County Court could open the floodgates to claims from other commuters affected by unofficial stoppages.

After hearing he had won the two-day case Mr Angus Falconer, aged 55, a former Royal naval Commander, said: "This is a great day for freedom. It is a great day for the man in the street.

"It is also a great day for the ordinary decent trade unionists. It will make unions think more carefully before decisions are forced on members by tinpot administrators who run some trade unions."

Mr Falconer, of Crimicar Lane, Sheffield, claimed damages from the National Union of Railwaymen and Aslef who called the 24-hour strike on January 17 last year without a ballot.

He had bought a return rail ticket to London for a business meeting and to see a doctor. But he was forced to stay in London because of the strike which caused him to miss a meeting in Sheffield.

The judge awarded him £53 special damages – the cost of his overnight stay in London – and £100 general damages. Costs were awarded on a scale which means the rail unions will pay about £6,000 of the estimated £10,000 costs for the County Court hearing. Of the outstanding £4,000, about £3,000 has already been raised by donations sent to Mr Falconer by well-wishers.

Referring to the unions' claim that their actions were not aimed at Mr Falconer and no harm was intended to him, the judge said: "I find no sympathy with that argument.

"To say harm to passengers was a consequence and not the object of the action seems to me to be naive."

He added: "The defendants were reckless in that they knew and appreciated the result of their actions on the plaintiff and others, but nevertheless they pursued it."

The judge said that by buying a ticket in advance of his journey, Mr Falconer had entered into a contractual agreement with British Rail Board but the board was prevented from carrying out its contractual obligations by the actions of the rail unions in calling a strike without a ballot as required by law.

Mr Patrick Elias, for the rail unions, indicated that an appeal may be made against the decision.

Labour leaders 'misled party on its nuclear defence policy'

By Henry Stanhope

When Mrs Margaret Thatcher came to power in 1979 she was surprised to find that her Labour predecessors had not only developed the controversial £1 billion Chevaline warhead for Polaris but had also done the "essential groundwork" for the £10 billion Trident missile decision.

A book published today, four days before the next defence White Paper, accuses the former Labour prime ministers Lord Wilson of Rievaulx and Mr James Callaghan, of such "excessive secrecy" on nuclear policy that they could be blamed for misleading their party.

Mr Christopher Coker, of the London School of Economics, says that, despite holding office for a considerable period, Labour governments held only one Commons debate on nuclear weapons, compared with the four Mrs Thatcher held within a few years of her coming to Number 10.

Mr Coker also criticizes the "extraordinary" endorsement by Mr Denis Healey of the deal offered to himself and Mr Neil Kinnock by President Chernenko in 1984, when the Soviet leader offered not to target any Russian missiles on Britain if all nuclear bases in this country were removed.

In *A Nation in Retreat*, he also accuses successive Conservative governments since the war of lacking a sense of purposee in their defence policies.

He says that the Royal Navy may have only 35 warships by the end of this century and only 20 of those operational. The Merchant Navy was on an even more alarming decline.

Despite a naval budget which in real terms was 60 per cent higher three years ago than it was in 1950, the cost of equipment was now so high that the Royal Navy could no longer afford to stay in the "big ship league".

As for the Merchant Navy, it had lost more vessels in the past few years than it had during the whole of the Second World War. In the past decade it had lost 30 million tonnes, compared with the 12 million tonnes that the U-boats sank in five years.

Mr Coker adds: "The manpower situation is equally alarming.

"The number of merchant officers fell from 41,000 in 1975 to 28,000 in 1982, and the number of ratings by 12,000. The jobs on which Britain has traditionally relied as a seapower are being lost at the rate of 5,000 a year.

A Nation in Retreat (Brassey's; £12.95).

Radar discovery to extend range

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Cruise missiles at Greenham Common may have to be re-programmed and bomber pilots throughout the world will probably need to think again about their tactics, as the result of a British breakthrough in radar technology.

Marconi Radar has perfected a technique for "bending" radar waves round the curvature of the earth and extending their effective range from about 50 to 200 miles.

It works only over the sea, where the salt in the water attracts the radar beam and ensures that it hugs the surface as it passes beyond the horizon instead of zooming off in a straight line into space.

But the implications could be enormous for ships and coastal defences — and for strike aircraft which have so far been able to evade detection until the last minute by attacking at low-level, ducking below the horizon. Pilots in future should have no hiding place.

The scientific principle has long been understood and research has been carried on by Marconi since the 1960s. But until now the very weak radar signals transmitted back to the operator have been drowned by the "clutter"

What has led to the Marconi announcement is a breakthrough in processing technology which has enabled technicians to pick out the real radar signal.

The company expects interest from overseas, particularly from the United States, where scientists have been concentrating on extending the range of radar by bouncing high frequency signals off the ionosphere.

It is thought likely to be particularly effective in providing warning of slow-moving, ground-hugging cruise missiles.

Protection 'a threat' to industry

By Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

Labour's proposed system of employment protection regulations would kill off manufacturing industry, Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Paymaster General, said yesterday.

He told a conference of the Engineering Employers' Federation in London that Labour's proposals were "a short-sighted attempt to put back and multiply the burdens on business that we have tried to lift over the last few years".

"Employers would be deterred from the business of hiring people if new workers meant more expensive legal rights and problems. The first victims of Labour's policy of workers' rights would be the people who are out of work."

But Mr Clarke, the Department of Employment's Commons representative in Cabinet, said that Labour's policy also posed a particularly dangerous threat to manufacturing industry "where patterns of employment are undergoing the greatest change and where we need the maximum flexibility of labour".

He said: "We need a sound and profitable manufacturing base. We need to earn enough from manufacturing to support our service sector and our educational and welfare"

Festival short of £50,000

By Ronald Faux

This year's Edinburgh International Festival has been hampered by competition from the Commonwealth Games and Arts Festival which are also taking place in the city this summer, Mr Frank Dunlop, its director, said yesterday.

The festival opens from August 10 and is about £50,000 under target for sponsorship and donations.

"We are a little bit at risk at the moment because of the naturally very attractive sporting demands of the Commonwealth Games," he said.

The Edinburgh Festival has a budget of £2.5 million of which £300,000 was raised last year from sponsorship and donations.

The theme of the fortieth festival will be the eighteenth-century Scottish Enlightenment, the intellectual movement which spread throughout Europe.

It will be celebrated in Edinburgh with music, theatre and exhibitions.

The festival will have a record number of 300 performances, including concerts by nine orchestras from four countries including the Toronto Symphony, the Oslo Philharmonic and the Moscow Virtuosi.

Party fortunes at stake as Britain goes to polls today

Consistent pattern to results unlikely

By Hugh Clayton

A few key results will give a sound guide to the fortunes of the parties in today's elections for more than 5,000 seats in 209 councils throughout Britain.

Labour and Alliance leaders wound up their campaigns yesterday insisting that they would score significant victories.

There are several reasons why it will be hard to work out a consistent pattern from all the council results.

One is that elections in most are being held for only a third of the seats; another that turnouts are often as low as a quarter of the electorate or less. Dozens of key wards are held with majorities in single or double figures.

Birmingham: One of the largest English councils with polling in 39 of the 117 seats. A vital result for the two largest parties: Conservative-held until 1984, Labour now just in power.

London, Camden: Elections for all 59 seats with Labour holding 33 and Conservatives 26: a disaster for Labour and the pollsters if Conservatives capture it.

Cambridge: Volatile, with a Labour majority of one in an area where Conservatives were shocked to lose control in 1985 county poll.

Crewe and Nantwich: Hung with the two largest parties almost neck-and-neck. Labour must capture it if it is to live up to its own expectations.

Cheltenham, Exeter, Gloucester: All hung in once apparently impregnably Tory shires. Will Tory support slip further?

Lothian region: Polling in all 49 seats with Labour now the largest party holding 23. Can Labour capture it outright after last year's success in Edinburgh council?

Brighton: An important test of strength for the two largest parties. Labour two seats behind Tories.

London, Richmond: Only Tory and Alliance councillors here. Alliance needs badly to retain control.

London, Wandsworth: A crucial battle between textbook Thatcherism and characteristic south-of-the-Thames hard London-left Labour. One of the most important of all the council results.



Alliance of smiles from Mr David Steel, Liberal leader, his candidate, Mrs Elizabeth Shields, and Dr David Owen.

Steel confident of Ryedale triumph

A Liberal victory in the Ryedale by-election was almost in the bag, Mr David Steel, the party leader, said last night after a Gallup poll put his candidate eight points ahead of the Conservatives.

Speaking at an election meeting in Malton, North Yorkshire, addressed by both the Alliance leaders, Mr Steel said he sensed a revulsion over high unemployment and its economic and social costs.

Dr David Owen, SDP leader, said: "There is a great danger that in the months before the next election the Government will do what Tory governments have done before, sometimes with success, I regret to say, and seek to buy the election.

"A bit of tax relief will be provided to encourage people to believe that the country's problems are all solved."

The Liberal candidate, Mrs Elizabeth Shields, made an appeal to Labour supporters in the constituency to vote for her to defeat the Tories.

The by-election campaign ended on a sour note yesterday over an election leaflet which listed villages allegedly at risk of losing their bus services under the Transport Act.

It was printed on only one side of the paper, and announced indirectly and in extremely small print that it originated from the Liberals.

Tories came to their morning press conference armed with photocopies of the offending leaflet which, they said, had been "selectively distributed" in threatened villages. They shook their heads gravely over this latest incident of Liberal trickery — although they stopped short of asserting that the bus routes were actually safe.

Mr Neil Balfour, Conservative candidate, confessed that he thought the leaflet represented "the most damaging and persistent lie propagated in this by-election".

Challenged with underhand conduct, the Liberals laughed uproariously and produced copies of the leaflet printed on both sides, which made its source unmistakable. They admitted that one or two copies might have come off the printer half-finished.

General election: J Spence (C) 33,312; Mrs E Shields (Al) 17,170; P Bloom (Lab) 5,816. C maj 16,142

Sleepy voters see some low blows

By George Hill

Below-the-belt issues dominated the scene as the Ryedale by-election campaign entered its final stages yesterday.

Liberal and Conservative campaigners dwelt inelegantly on the state of their opponents' stomachs and on local smells, while the struggling Labour camp castigated the voters for being sleepy.

Mr Roy Jenkins, SDP MP for Glasgow Hillhead, said that the constituency had a "pretty good smell" to his political nostrils. He criticized the "intensely party political rodomontades (extravagant boasts)" such as those delivered in the constituency by Mr Norman Tebbit, chairman of the Conservative Party.

Mr Jenkins said that such campaigning appealed to Conservatives with "less sensitive stomachs", but not to more fastidious members such as Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House of Commons.

"Labour is making certain efforts to drag itself back from the wilder shores of 1983 lunacy", Mr Jenkins said. "But it remains true that the two-party system, with its rigidities and violent reversals of power, has come to serve the people of Britain and the performance of Britain increasingly badly."

Mr Tebbit repeated his charge that the Liberals were planning to introduce rating of agricultural land, a charge denied again yesterday by the Liberal candidate, Mrs Elizabeth Shields.

Mrs Shirley Haines, the Labour candidate, invited Mrs Barbara Castle, former Secretary for Transport and for Health, to support her.

"The dark mare is coming up on the outside and adding that touch of cliff-hanging which this slightly somnolent area of the country needs", Mrs Castle declared, with a well-remembered exuberance of metaphor.

Mrs Haines, pressed to disclose whether she too thought the local electorate was somnolent, suggested that the constituency needed a Labour member to liven it up. If that is so, the signs are that Ryedale will sleep on.

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Tories braced for losses in biggest poll tests

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But they encountered a determined move to resist them by the Labour Party which had at least two dozen MPs in the constituency yesterday.

The Labour vote has clearly held firm throughout the campaign, and indeed the Gallup poll put its support level lower than the private canvassing figures of all three parties.

Labour issued its own canvass returns purporting to show that it was squeezing the Liberal vote down to 27 per cent with itself on 34 per cent and the Tories on 37 per cent.

And Mr Roy Hattersley, Labour's deputy leader, declared at a press conference that with maximum effort in the next 36 hours Labour could win the seat.

There was, however, no disguising the mood of expectation within the Alliance camp and it will be a surprise if the final result is not a cliffhanger between it and the Conservatives.

Mr David Alton, the Liberal chief whip, declared that the Alliance was "poised" for a sensational win.

"We believe that many former Labour voters will switch tactically in order to defeat Mrs Thatcher. We were told by the pundits at the start of these campaigns that the era of three-party politics was over. But one Fulham does not make a summer", he said.

Mr Christopher Walmsley, the Alliance candidate, remarked: "We are gathering ourselves for the important final dash."

But the poll figures were received with calm at the Tory headquarters. Mr Patrick McLoughlin, its candidate, said that he was "exceptionally confident."

In the wake of the poll both the Conservative and Labour parties renewed their onslaught against the Alliance.

Mr Hattersley said that only the Labour Party could get the Government out. "The national mood is now passionately anti-Conservative. The opposition to the Prime Minister in particular and to her policies in general grows every day."

Only one party could achieve that growing widespread national aim of getting her out, only one party could displace the Government and replace it, he said. "The Tory defeat, which grows daily more certain, will be brought nearer and put beyond doubt by supporting the one party which could achieve victory at the next General Election. That party is the Labour Party", he said.

Mr Tebbit, appearing at one of the final Conservative public meetings in Matlock, attacked the Alliance as being the soft option.

At Ryedale there was caution in all parties about the Gallup poll which showed the Alliance on 47 per cent and the Tories on 39 per cent. But a confident Mr Steel predicted that one of the casualties of the two contests would be Mr Tebbit.

Whatever the results of the by-elections, the local elections seem certain to provide certain evidence of the Labour Party's recovery.

Recent national opinion polls have seen it gaining at the expense of the Alliance. Labour has hopes of gaining up to 20 councils and taking a majority of the London boroughs of which it at present holds 12.

Unionist fight against deal is losing ground

By Richard Ford

The failure of Unionist protests against the Anglo-Irish Agreement highlights the divisions between moderates and extremists and the uphill struggle they have in making their opposition effective.

By framing an agreement that did not rely on Unionist input, unlike the power-sharing experiment of 1974, officials judged that Unionists would have difficulty in finding a target to attack.

Since the signing of the agreement almost six months ago the Unionists' boast that they have a coherent strategy of opposition has appeared hollow.

At first the campaign was a success, with a mass rally outside Belfast City Hall. But since then there have been various setbacks.

A challenge in the High Court over the legality of the deal failed.

A protest on the day of the first meeting of the Joint Ministerial Conference ended in violence. Similar violence erupted at the end of a Young Unionists march from Londonderry to Belfast at the new year.

By-elections after the resignation of 15 Unionist MPs achieved 418,230 votes against the agreement, but that was short of the 500,000 they had wanted and was accompanied by the loss of one seat at Westminster to the Social Democratic and Labour Party.

The leadership has also failed to persuade Protestant representatives to withdraw from boards running education, health and social services.

Although 17 Unionist-controlled councils have been adjourned, that strategy was dealt a blow when five Official Unionists on Belfast City Council voted with opposition groups to end the suspension.

Woman held in double killing case

Police investigating the killings of a dressmaker and her baby aged six months in Westbury, Wiltshire, were yesterday questioning a local woman, aged 50, who was arrested in Stone, Staffordshire.

Mrs Jeanne Sutcliffe aged 39, and her daughter, Heidi, had their throats cut in the attack a week ago at their home in The Butts, Westbury.

Mrs Sutcliffe had been beaten about the head at least 10 times with a blunt instrument before the attacker slashed her throat.

Mrs Sutcliffe's eldest daughter, Linda, aged 15, found the bodies when she came home from school with her father, Paul, aged 44, a mathematics teacher, her brother, David, aged 14, and her other sister, Anna, aged seven.

Wiltshire detectives travelled to Staffordshire, on Tuesday night to arrest the Mrs Heather Arnold.

Victorian values not enough, Runcie says

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The traditional work ethic may well be obsolete and Britain can no longer be sustained on mid-Victorian values, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, said in an Industry Year service in London yesterday.

In what appeared to be an oblique criticism of government economic policy, Dr Runcie said at St Paul's Cathedral that, without a corporate commitment to "one nation", fears, tensions and bitterness would fester.

Without that, "the corrosive cynicism which regards self-interest and not public interest as the sole dynamic of our people will drive us into warring groups".

The common purpose of work was not the creation of wealth but the creation of worth.

Industry Year demanded a moral commitment in the nation to create the conditions in which industry would flourish, he said.

"If we are to persuade our young people to pursue a career in industry we need to show them how industry can balance efficiency and productivity with care and humanity."

Managements and unions were still too often locked in confrontations of mutual incomprehension while ownership and decision-making were still too narrowly distributed. Industry created wealth, but inequality increased too.

"We know that mid-Victorian values cannot sustain us", Dr Runcie said. "Above all we must face the spectre of long-term unemployment.

"It may well be that the traditional work ethic is obsolete. Perhaps we need a new 'contribution' ethic to give people a proper sense of status, purpose and belonging."

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Politicians failing to end terror, police say

Police leaders from 16 European countries yesterday launched a scathing attack on politicians for allegedly hindering the battle against international terrorism.

They criticized governments for not acting strongly enough against the killers, failing to agree on vital extradition legislation and preventing the police from combating the violence.

Herr Günter Schröder, the German president of the Union Internationale des Syndicats de Police, said: "Countries should take a step back politically and let the police get on with the work." If police were put under political pressure that often resulted in the truth being obscured.

Herr Schröder was speaking at the UISP's annual conference in Glasgow. The police leaders are collectively responsible for representing 600,000 police officers in Western Europe.

He said politicians regularly had the wrong attitude to terrorism and only acted constructively when things had gone too far.

Herr Schröder added: "We should be left to do it our own way, efficiently and calmly. We cannot have politicians taking over as police commissioners."

He said that he and his colleagues were angry that a European accord designed to facilitate extradition of terrorists had not been ratified by all countries. Great Britain was one of the countries which had not yet signed.

"That is why when we hear of declarations made in places like Tokyo and other summits we find them hardly credible," he said.

"We have to get to the root cause of terrorism, and fast. When WPC Yvonne Fletcher was shot dead in the streets of Britain outside the Libyan embassy that wasn't enough to provoke action. When weapons are being imported from a foreign country in diplomatic bags something must be done, because the police are not prepared to tolerate it.

"But all of a sudden politicians do decide to act and bombers are sent into a foreign country.

"We take a very, very bitter attitude towards developments on the terrorism scene, especially when some people look upon the death of WPC Fletcher and say, 'After all it is only the death of one policewoman'."

The conference also demanded help for the police to take on the European drug barons, who were making "frightening fortunes", and football hooliganism, which was spreading rapidly throughout Western Europe.

Terror and the summit, page 9.

Bishops urge SA boycott

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

Roman Catholics are recommended not to invest in South Africa and to boycott South African goods, in a report published today by the Catholic bishops of England and Wales.

The report from the bishops' committee for international affairs, which has the authority of all the bishops, urges "practical steps to influence the South African authorities to bring about the end of apartheid".

The bishops quote evidence of widespread ill-health among South African blacks, with about a third of black children stunted in growth. Two thirds of the total population have no say in the government, and half the adult population is illiterate, the bishops say, while in 1984, Britain supplied 13 per cent of South Africa's recorded merchandise imports and took 7.8 per cent of its exports.

Migration and tourism were two other areas where British links with South Africa were strong.

The report asks: "What can foreign governments, business interests, public opinion, churches and other institutions do to contribute to a path of change in South Africa involving the least possible violence? The overwhelming answer to this question given by black South Africans is: stop supporting apartheid."

Ford Bridgend to lose 600

Ford is to slim its 1,500 workforce at its Bridgend engine plant in South Wales by more than 600 jobs during the next five years in a move to increase productivity.

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Welsh chapels face a bingo hall blitz

Salem, Siloam, Bethesda and Bethania — the names trip off the Welsh Nonconformist tongue, but the 5,000 chapels of Wales are now facing their greatest crisis since the days of the religious revival, when hell-fire preachers promised eternal damnation to those who strayed from the narrow path.

Today those preachers would turn in their graves, for increasingly the chapels are being turned into bingo halls, storage depots and even, heaven forbid, a brassiere factory.

A group of academics have now formed the Chapel Heritage Society to save from demolition the best of the buildings which are falling into decay.

Although the chapels are basically of the same oblong design, they vary enormously in their appearance because often the money was only enough to build a reasonable frontage. This led to some cutting criticism:

"The Trellwyn Methodists have built a church.

The front looks like an abbey,

But thinking they can fool the Lord,

They've built the back part shabby."

The Lord, presumably, is no longer fooled because Nonconformist Wales has turned its back on Him and more than half the surviving chapels have ageing memberships of fewer than 25 people.

Rural depopulation, television, disenchantment with warnings of eternal flames for minor misdemeanours and a general more cynical attitude have combined to diminish the chapel tradition.

Within Nonconformity were the seeds of its own financial destruction, for the movement split into Baptists, Calvinists, Wesleyans and a host of other denominations.

In one small North Wales village, which has a population of fewer than 500, there are 10 chapels.

Professor Anthony Jones, of the Glasgow School of Art, who has produced a book on the subject, believes that congregations should bury their narrow theological differences, decide which chapel in their area to preserve.

A spokesman for the Welsh Folk Museum, near Cardiff, said yesterday: "The crisis is deepening and unless action is taken soon a vital part of the heritage of Wales will be lost."

The 4,000 chapels built in Wales during the last century were erected because of the revival and disenchantment with the English-speaking established church.

Faced with a new cynical age, the chapels need more than Bread of Heaven. They need money.

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The Brighton hotel blast trial

Police foiled plot to bring terror with 16 bombs, Crown says

A plot to explode 16 bombs around the country was foiled when Strathclyde police discovered what was going on and arrested five people in a Glasgow flat, the Brighton bomb trial jury was told yesterday.

Mr Roy Amlot was outlining the Crown's case on the second day of the trial at the Central Criminal Court in which a Belfast man, Patrick Magee, aged 35, is accused of planting the device that killed five people, including an MP and the wife of the Chief Whip during the Tory Party conference on October 12, 1984.

Mr Magee is also accused of murdering the five. Four others, Gerard McDonnel, aged 34, Peter Sherry, aged 30, Martina Anderson, aged 23, and Ella O'Dwyer, aged 26, deny conspiracy to cause explosions last year.

In the ground-floor flat in Glasgow, detectives found on one of the defendants details of the location of bombs as well as their type, the exact time and date of explosion, Mr Amlot said.

They discovered the precise position of a bomb placed in the Rubens Hotel in Buckingham Palace Road, central London. Also marked was the exact time and date, July 20, of the planned explosion.

Mr Amlot said that in a cellar not far away from the flat, the police found sufficient explosives for the remaining 15 bombs andseveral time and power units (TPUs) marked with intended locations and dates. The timers inside some of the TPUs were set and running.

"These five defendants constituted the units to prepare and prime the bombs", counsel said.

The two-bedroom flat in Langside Road, Glasgow, had been rented nine days before by a man and a woman. There was a new lock and chain on the door.

"McDonnel had a loaded Browning automatic pistol in the waistband of his trousers", Mr Amlot said. "There was a second Browning pistol in a grey handbag in the larger of the bedrooms."

The handbag also contained a false Eire passport with Miss Anderson's photograph in it.

Mr McDonnel was wearing around his waist a money-belt containing what the prosecution claimed was a bomb calendar.

Mr Amlot said: "I'm going to go down the column to Monday, July 29, 1985, to indicate how deadly accurate this calendar is."

Against that date was the entry "Time: 1300" with a little "1" alongside it and "Location London." Then followed the information: "First floor, 112, Front, Rubens Hotel, Buckingham Palace Road." Then followed, "BT plus 48".

"It is deadly accurate because the police the next day found the bomb in room 112 at the front of the Rubens Hotel", Mr Amlot said. "It was running, it had been set and it would have exploded on Monday July 29, at almost precisely 1300 hours."

The letters "BT" meant the bomb had been booby-trapped. "Anybody touching it, unless as fortunately was the case, it was by an explosives officer, would have set the bomb off", counsel added.

Mr Amlot said there was a list of 16 locations with the group apparently operating in two separate squads — "team A" and "team B".

The sites for "team B" were:	
Brighton	**June 25**
Torquay	**June 11**
Bournemouth	**July 3**
Southampton	**June 17**
Blackpool	**June 29**
Eastbourne	**July 1**

The bomb had a 48-day delay timer.

Mr Amlot said the letters "H" and "B" appeared against locations in the bomb calendar. He said "H" stood for hotel. The prosecution could not be sure what the "B" indicated, but it could be "beach".

The calendar gave details of 16 locations and dates. Mr Amlot said: "This was an outrageous plot to place 16 bombs to explode on consecutive days except Sundays between July 19 and August 5 last year.

"The object was to create havoc and bloodshed throughout the country."

One bomb had already been placed and some of the devices were to have been booby-trapped.

The first nine bombs had 24-day delay timers and the last seven 48-day timers.

Mr Amlot said the calendar appeared to show that the group was operating in two separate squads — "team A" and "team B". In the case of "team B" there were dates against six resorts.

"It looks very much as though these are the setting times and dates", Mr Amlot said.

Ticks indicated that those bombs had already been set.

There were initials against some of the locations which could relate to the names some of the defendants used.

In McDonnel's money-belt an accurate diagram for the Rubens Hotel bomb had been found. The letters, "MTS", stood for "Mercury Tilt Switch", the booby-trap device.

Further information seized from McDonnel's money-belt indicated that after the Rubens Hotel bomb, a device was planned to go off in Torquay on July 30.

Then was to follow a bomb in Great Yarmouth on July 31, one in Folkestone on August 1 one in Margate on August 2, one in Southend on August 3 and one in Southampton on August 5.

A week after the arrests, a bomb case was discovered by plice in the cellar of 17 James Grey Street, not far from Langside Road. It included six TPUs marked with the location and proposed dates of the six remaining 48-day bombs.

Each TPU needed only a detonator and explosive to complete the bomb.

Mr Magee had a piece of paper with a list of figures and letters which coincided precisely with the bomb calendar.

It was clear, Mr Amlot said, that all five were working as a team. Each had a false identity.

Each of the five also had a good deal of money mainly, totalling more than £10,000.

Mr Amlot said: "The bomb cache was not discovered until six days after their arrest."

On June 23, anti-terrorist squad officers and an explosives expert went to the Rubens Hotel "no distance from Buckingham Palace and the front of it overlooking the Palace Mews".

In a bedside cabinet in a yellow plastic lunchbox in room 112, they found the booby-trapped bomb.

It contained three-and-a-half pounds of gelignite similar to a type manufactured in southern Ireland.

It was labelled with the time it was due to go off, matching accurately with the bomb calendar.

Mr. Amlot said: "There is overwhelming evidence that the materials used to make up that bomb came from the cache found in the cellar at James Gray Street".

He alleged that Mr Magee booked into the hotel on June 15 using the name T. Morton and using an address in Woodford Road, Watford. His fingerprints were later discovered on the hotel registration card and on the bomb calendar.

Mr Magee denies planting the time-delay device in room 629 during September, 1984, causing the explosion and murdering Mrs Shattock, Mrs Muriel MacLean, wife of the president of the Scottish Conservative Association, and three others: Sir Anthony Berry, aged 59, MP for Enfield Southgate, Mr Eric Taylor, aged 54, chairman of the party's north-west area, and Mrs Anne Wakeham, aged 45, wife of Mr John Wakeham, the Chief Whip.

Mr Amlot said Mr and Mrs MacLean had spent the time between 11 pm and 1.45 am in room 629 drinking with friends on the night of the explosion.

"When their friends left they went straight to bed and to sleep", Mr Amlot said.

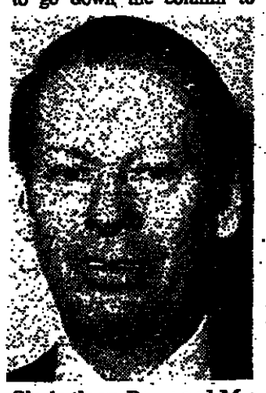
Mr MacLean was woken by the explosion to find himself trapped by large ceiling joists, plaster and masonry. He had dropped almost to the floor below."

Mr MacLean was rescued after about two and a half hours. Mrs MacLean was blown into the next room and was severely injured. She died a month later.

Sussex police set out immediately to trace everyone who had stayed in room 629 up to 48 days before the explosion.

They traced everyone except a Roy Walsh, who gave an address in Bracksfield Road, London SE4.

The hearing continues today.





Sir Anthony Berry and Mrs Jeanne Shattock, who died in the Brighton explosion.

Tory chief fell through seven floors of hotel

The "miraculous" escape of a Conservative Party official, Mr Gordon Shattock, in the IRA bomb attack on the Grand Hotel, Brighton, was described to the bomb trial jury at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Mr Shattock, chairman of the Conservative Party's western area, fell from the sixth floor to the basement, but was able to escape from the rubble, Mr Roy Amlot, for the prosecution, said.

Mr Shattock's wife, Jeanne, aged 52, was one of the five people killed in the explosion.

Mr Amlot said that Mr Shattock had been woken by noisy guests at about 2.30am. He and his wife were staying in room 628, next to room 629 where the prosecution says the bomb had been concealed.

"Mr Shattock was only dozing at the time of the explosion," Mr Amlot said. "He was immediately aware of the explosion. He recalled a terrifying flash that appeared to come from the area of the bathroom doorway followed by a tremendous noise.

"He was blown of the bed, away from the bathroom. There was no floor and he started to fall into a pit. He was aware of large concrete pieces descending with him. He fell in a tight ball and finished up right down in the basement.

"Miraculously he found he could move."

Mr Shattock found a way out. But his wife, who had been in the bathroom, was killed instantly when she was blown across a corridor into a cupboard in room 638.

Mr Amlot said a doctor who examined Mrs Shattock's body found pieces of ceramic material embedded in her which had clearly come from the dividing wall between the bathrooms of rooms 628 and 629.

Award for worm firm scheme

For the past six years, Mr Peter Cowin, a keen angler and zoologist, from Tyneside, has been investigating methods of producing the world's perfect rag worm.

From harvesting ordinary earthworms for anglers' bait, the 26-year-old entrepreneur now plans to breed 10 million rag worms a year at Britain's first rag worm farm.

Yesterday Mr Cowin, a post-graduate of Newcastle University, received the Student Industrial Society's first £1,000 Innovation for Business Award, in London.

Proudly displaying his latest superworms, bred in laboratory conditions on a secret protein diet in Newcastle upon Tyne, Mr Cowin said he planned to make his first million pounds through selling fishing bait by 1990.

He will plough his £1,000 award into the £250,000 investment in his company, Seatbait, which will be set up early next year.

His father, Mr Kenneth Cowin, and Dr Peter Olive, an expert in marine invertebrates, also of Newcastle University, are involved in the venture, which aims to supply a third of Britain's rag worms.

"At present wild rag worms are harvested in the North-east or imported from Ireland, retailing at between £12 and £26 a kilo. But my worms, bred in optimum laboratory and outdoor conditions, will cost much less," Mr Cowin said.

Not surprisingly, his post-graduate studies are on the aqua-culture of the rag worm, a marine version of the earth worm, which can grow to three feet in length.

Mr Cowin said he had tried countless diets, including newspaper, to produce the perfect formula for the worms. He plans to invest part of his expected £500,000 turnover next year into research.

Free local calls idea for phone kiosks

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

Local calls from telephone kiosks could be made free and the costs of the network could be subsidized by the revenue from advertising billboards, under a plan to privatize call boxes compiled by a Croydon-based company of computer experts.

The company, Real Time Associates, has called on British Telecom to sell or franchise its kiosk network, which the computer experts claim can make money instead of losing millions each year.

In the financial year 1984-85 the network of 76,500 public telephone kiosks lost £42 million, despite collecting £162 million in revenue.

The Croydon company has put its plans to Oftel (Office of Telecommunications), the telephone consumer watchdog. These plans contain a number of ideas to change the economics of the call boxes. They include:

- Linking rural telephone boxes to local exchanges by using cellular radio, the technology now used in car telephones.
- Issuing subscribers with telephone cards for use in kiosks. The call is billed to the subscriber along with domestic calls. The card system would reduce the number of kiosks vandalized for money.
- Installing three times as many kiosks in urban areas as at present, to encourage greater use and minimize lost sales through vandalized call boxes.
- Providing operational costs of the service from the revenue paid by advertisers,
- Free local telephone calls.

British Telecom has a duty under its licence to provide the public call box network. It is not clear whether BT could "sub-contract" that responsibility.



Greta Scacchi, star of Heat and Dust, at yesterday's launch of the new Channel 4 season (Photograph: Tim Bishop).

Drama for Channel 4

Channel 4's summer schedules, starting later this month, are intended to maintain its ratings by bolstering drama and documentary content.

Among 12 new drama serials is the award-winning *Three Sovereigns for Sarah*, starring Vanessa Redgrave, a true story about the Salem witch trials.

The season opens with a six-part examination of television called *Open the Box*, which includes footage of families filmed by a concealed camera as they watched television.

A timely three-part documentary in June called *Too Hot to Handle* investigates the dangers of nuclear power and the risks and myths surrounding radiation.

Mr Jeremy Isaacs, the company's chief executive, said he expected Channel 4 to hold its 10 per cent share of viewing, ahead of BBC 2, now that "the snooker tidal wave" had passed.

Films include the first television screenings of *Heat and Dust, Paris Texas, Raging Bull* and *Wetherby*, as well asa 20-film tribute to James Cagney in August.

Gold gang 'cleaned out' banks court told

The gang disposing of gold from Britain's biggest robbery "cleaned out" local banks in the West Country when they withdrew £10 million in cash in a matter of weeks, a court was told yesterday.

"There wasn't enough money left to pay them and the Bank of England stepped in," Mr Michael Corkery, QC, for the prosecution, said at the Central Criminal Court.

Mr Kenneth Noye, aged 38, a company director, of Hollywood Cottage, School Lane, West Kingsdown, Kent, is alleged to be the mastermind of the gold "laundering" operation.

The court was told that when Mr Noye was questioned about his alleged involvement in the disposal of £26 million in gold bullion stolen by armed robbers from a Brinks-Mat vault at Heathrow Airport in November 1983, he said that his life would be in danger if he talked.

The police found 11 gold bars at Mr Noye's house.

Mr Noye is accused with Brian Reader, aged 45, a dealer, of Winn Road, Grove Park, south-east London; Michael Lawson, aged 37, a company director, of Top Dartford Road, Hextable, Kent; Thomas Adams, aged 25, an asphalter, of Granbridge Street, Islington, north London; Matteo Constantino, aged 66, a jeweller, of High Road, Whetstone; Garth Chappell, aged 42, a director, of Stonewalls, Litton, Somerset; and Terence Patch, aged 41, a contractor, of Vee Road, Felton, Bristol.

They all plead not guilty to conspiring with others to handle stolen gold between November 1983 and February last year. All except Mr Lawson further deny conspiring to evade value-added tax.

The trial continues today.

Eating-out survey puts steak at the top

British taste is slow to change, but salad is now as popular as chips, according to a countrywide survey of the nation's eating-out habits.

Today's issue of *Caterer and Hotelkeeper* reports that prawn cocktail is still by far the favourite starter, and steak the first choice as main course.

Of 996 people interviewed more than an eighth ate out once a week, and more than four out of 10 once a month, but there was a marked reluctance to leave a tip.

One victim of changing taste is Black Forest gateau. For years this held top place as the nation's favourite dessert, but suddenly it is chosen by only 5 per cent of customers, on a par with biscuits and cheese.

Londoners eat out more than anyone else, but claim to have the largest share of rude and arrogant waiters. Scots have a disproportionate liking for soup and for broccoli.

People in Wales and the South-west were most likely to experiment when eating out, and least likely to tip. Northerners are increasing their consumption of steaks, while the South-east and East Anglia have developed a taste for cheesecake.

Camera will fight cancer

Better treatment of cancer patients was promised yesterday, thanks to a new £200,000 camera which will help scientists to find the most effective way of killing tumours.

The camera, installed at Charing Cross Hospital, London, will monitor "magic bullet" therapy, in which antibodies armed by radioactivity or drugs home in on cancer cells and destroy them. Until now researchers have not been able to see exactly how effective the treatment is.

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El Al bomb incident discussed with Syrian ambassador

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The Syrian Ambassador had called at the Foreign Office last week at the Government's request and on May 5 at his own request, **Sir Geoffrey Howe**, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during Commons question time when asked to confirm a story in *The Times* that a Syrian diplomat was to be expelled.

I can say only (he said) that in connexion with a police investigation involving custody of a man called Hindawi charged with conspiracy to murder and an attempt to destroy an aircraft in service, investigations are continuing. I cannot say anything that would prejudice the judicial process.

I can confirm that we discussed the El Al bomb incident with him. I can go no further while investigation is continuing.

Mr David Sumberg (Bury South, C), who raised the issue, asked if the decisions reached at Tokyo relating to terrorism would be extended to all countries engaged in state-sponsored terrorism

Sir Geoffrey Howe said other governments were well aware of the Government's commitment to measures of this kind. It was clear the measures agreed in Tokyo and in Europe were intended to be applied in suitable proven cases to other examples of state-sponsored terrorism.

Mr Merlyn Rees (Leeds, South and Morley, Lab): Would the intention at Tokyo and in Europe to limit the number of diplomats from certain countries require an amendment of the Treaty of Vienna?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: No. For example two years ago we took action in relation to the total or near total establishment at the Libyan People's Bureau and more recently asked for a reduction of numbers and will continue to do so in suitable cases.

Mr Robert Jackson (Wantage, C): There is reason to welcome



Sumberg: Is report true about Syrian diplomat?

the action being taken against terrorism in the Middle East but that is not dealing with the cause which is the Palestinian problem.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The search for progress in the peace process in the Middle East continues but it must be said the procedures for that process are not looking too hopeful, but we continue to look for them.

Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith (Wealden, C): In dealing with terrorism it is vital to get agreement in extradition procedures. Would he take steps to persuade America of the importance we attach to the Senate passing the Extradition Treaty Bill?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I entirely agree with that point.

The Prime Minister and I underlined to the President and the Secretary of State the importance we attach to the ratification of that treaty. They left us in no doubt of the commitment of the administration to that end and they and we are doing everything possible to secure the right answer from Congress.

Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles, SNP): Would he exercise caution even in the justifiable indictment of Libya so that he does not fall into the trap of putting all the Arab nations against us to satisfy the aims of the United States-Israel axis?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: There is no question of this Government taking any action to satisfy the aims of that or any other axis. It would be wrong to allow the justifiable condemnation of Libyan state directed terrorism to lead us into conflict with any other Arab state.

Summit pledge of action

TERRORISM

Does the Foreign Secretary share the view of President Reagan and Vice-President Bush that Syria would be a suitable candidate for unilateral American action possibly involving sea-launched cruise missiles?

Or does he share the view of Prime Minister Craxi of Italy that further unilateral action against a state which sponsored terrorism would be a breach of the agreement reached in Tokyo?

Or does he share the view of Prime Minister Nakasone of Japan that every country has the right to interpret the Tokyo communique as they wish?

These three questions were put in the Commons to Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, by **Mr Denis Healey**, chief Opposition spokesman, who after putting them, added to Labour cheers and laughter: What is left of the Prime Minister's great achievements in Tokyo after that?

Sir Geoffrey Howe dismissed it all as a confusing question. It would be interesting to know, he commented, what alternative proposition Mr Healey favoured. Did he or did he not wish to see effective international action against terrorism? In Tokyo there was a commitment to effective international action which was not related to prospects of military action.

Most of question time to Foreign Office ministers was occupied by exchanges about international terrorism. During these **Mr Greville Janner** (Leicester West, Lab) pointed out that Libyan planes were still permitted to land in this country. Why?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: There are a few air services between Libya and most other countries of Western Europe. There is still a substantial British community in Libya who are dependent to some extent on these services, including those coming from this country. We have taken account of all the circumstances and the point has not been yet



Campbell-Savours: Insurance assisting terrorism

reached where that situation should be changed.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab): Those governments who refuse to act to ban kidnap insurance assist terrorism. Would he meet with the Irish foreign minister to find out what happened over the incident of the Bell Shipping Line executive who was stopped at Dublin airport with £300,000 in his suitcase, who was working in conjunction with Control Risks, a London company?

Will he find out what happened in the course of that incident and why that money was being taken into the Republic of Ireland?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: If his facts are correct they certainly deserve attention, whether by the prosecution authorities or by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland or myself, I do not know.

Mr David Atkinson (Bournemouth East, C): When he does meet his Irish counterpart will he ask when he proposes to put to an end to his country's counter trade with Libya of food for arms for the IRA?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I have no evidence whatever to suggest that the Government of the Republic of Ireland is concerned in the supply of arms to the IRA.

Mr Norman Godman (Greenock and Port Glasgow, Lab): There should be no partiality in the condemnation of sponsorship of terrorism. Has the Foreign Secretary in recent times brought to the attention of Mr Shultz the deep disquiet felt by many people in this country concerning American sponsored terrorism in Nicaragua?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: There is a total difference between those terrorist organizations dedicated to the infliction of indiscriminate damage on innocent people in third countries and the differences in which the Nicaraguans are engaged in the frontiers of Nigaragua.

Mr Nicholas Winterton (Macclesfield, C): Perhaps his department might do more to advise people in this country who are going to countries such as Sri Lanka on the dangers they might encounter, bearing in mind the sad experience at Colombo at the end of last week? I had two constituents, Mr and Mrs French, who were in the plane which blew up but fortunately escaped serious injury.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I understand his concern. In many cases we cannot give specific advice about specific problems that might arise. There is a need for people about to travel to study conditions in the country they are to visit.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L): Syria provides a haven for some particularly ruthless terrorists. If he recognizes that, would he favour bombing or some other promising means of dealing with it?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The measures we favoured at the summit conference and by the Community countries are the collective effective actions set out in detail in the communique in Tokyo and by the European Community. Whether or not a measure should be taken against a given state depends on whether that state is involved in terrorism so as to make the response suggested suitable.

Inheritance tax clause approved

FINANCE BILL

The clause of the Finance Bill putting into effect the structural changes that convert capital transfer tax into inheritance was approved in the Commons by 206 votes to 114 - Government majority, 92.

Dr Oonagh McDonald, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, said when the committee stage of the Bill was resumed, that the Chancellor of the Exchequer had suggested that capital transfer tax was anti-enterprise, but few other countries viewed it in that way.

The tax would not fall on the super-rich. They would be in a position to make disposals of their assets during their own lifetime. At best it would fall on the not-so-rich members of the community, but even there the tax avoidance business was already under way.

Mr Peter Brooke, Minister of State, Treasury, said the legislation conferred freedom on businessmen and everyone else to order their affairs in terms of their own best interests rather than taking decisions simply because of fiscal imperatives.

Liberals suggest education re-think

HOUSE OF LORDS

The great debate on education had turned into a slanging mnatch — a debacle, **Lady Seear**, leader of the Liberal peers, said when she opened a House of Lords debate on the situation in schools.

She declared: We are failing lamentably to deliver the goods educationally. If we do not improve our educational achievements we shall delcine economically and will not recover socially.

The events of the past 12 to 15 months were made all the more sad because in some ways they had the most creative and concerned Secretary of State for Education that they had had for a long time.

Some of his ideas (she said) have been of the kind that we welcome greatly.

The dispute had meant that a great many children had been deprived of education which they were entitled to receive and which they needed. It had meant that a great many parents had been extremely anxious about their children's educational prospects and consequent career prospects. It had also meant that many people had been discouraged from entering the teaching profession.

Calling for a re-think on education, she suggested the setting up of an all-party committee of the House to examine the problems of education and to put forward suggestions on how they could raise the level of debate on this subject which had sunk so lamentably low in the past few years.

Lord McIntosh of Haringey, for the Opposition, said that the present position had been arrived at as a result of a number of years of devaluing the importance of education and the resources which needed to be given to it. It was a shocking situation that for the first time defence expenditure had overtaken educational expenditure.

It was the deliberate policy of the Government to restrict the resources available to education, using the excuse of falling rolls and ignoring the overwhelming evidence of the increasing need for further resources and further attention to be paid to the educational system.

Nearly one-third of the schools had leaking roofs and other defects, a quarter still had outside toilets and a third were overcrowded despite falling rolls.

Lord Kirkwood (SDP), in a maiden speech, said science graduates did not want to go into secondary school teaching because the morale of the profession was at an all-time low. Teachers felt undervalued by society and that was reflected in their low pay scales.

The Bishop of London (Dr Graham Leonard) said ther was too much gloom and doom in education.

Bill to ban plastic bullets rejected

POLICING

Plastic bullets could become a necessary tool for the police in fighting terrorism and maintaining public order in the future, **Sir Eldon Griffiths**, parliamentary adviser to the Police Federation, said

Mr Dennis Canavan (Falkirk West, Lab) had sought leave, under the 10-minute rule procedure, to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of plastic bullets in the UK. The motion was rejected by 184 votes to 85 votes — majority, 99.

He said plastic bullets had caused blinding, paralysis, brain damage and death. If their use was allowed to continue in Northern Ireland it was only a matter of time before it spread to the rest of the UK.

Displaying one of the bullets to the House, he asked how many more would have to die before the use of this lethal and barbaric weapon was abolished.

Opposing the Bill, **Sir Eldon Griffiths** (Bury St Edmunds, C) said the police were entitled to have all necessary means of protecting themselves and the public against the attacks of violent men in view of the increased use of guns by criminals and of petrol bombs in demonstrations and riots.

The Association of Chief Police Officers had been looking at the pros and cons of baton rounds. The experience of the RUC in Northern Ireland showed that, selectively used, they could and did make riot control easier and safer and could and did save lives.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on crime prevention.
Lords (3): Gas Bill, committee, third day.

Arms supply inquiry sought

MIDDLE EAST

The Opposition demanded during question time in the Commons that inquiries be made into allegations that arms were being procured in Britain for use in the Iran-Iraq war, and that a house in Victoria Street, London, near the House of Commons, was being used for the export of arms to Iraq.

Mr Donald Anderson, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, asked: How does the minister reconcile his declared policy on arms with the supply of Chieftain spare parts?

What investigation has the Government made of allegations that a building in Victoria Street is the main *entrepot* for the procurement of arms for Iraq?

He also asked what application had been made for the extradition to the United States of people for supplying arms to Iran. What investigation had been made about the illegal use of the diplomatic bag by Iran for the export of arms?

Mr Timothy Renton, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, replied: Recently no new applications for the export of arms which would significantly prolong the conflict on either side has been approved or given an export licence.

On the question of Iran procurement, if it is wished to export any war material, it would have to be covered by an export licence. We have not received any applications.

If we obtained any evidence of illegal activities, we should take the appropriate steps without delay.

I am not aware of any United States request for extradition, but I should pass it to the Home Secretary to look into.

VAT ceiling not to be increased

EEC BUDGET

Called on during question time in the Commons to block any proposal to increase the EEC limit of 1.4 per cent VAT, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, replied that any such proposal would require the unanimous agreement of the member states and approval by national parliaments. She saw no sign of that happening.

Mr Antony Marlow (Northampton North, C) asked if she could confirm that if the European Community were to come up with a budget that raised the ceiling the Government would turn this down flat.

Mrs Chalker: He is dreaming dreams of things he might like to happen and we intend to ensure should not happen. If a further supplementary budget were to come forward it would depend on exactly why it had come forward.

There has been a 25 per cent fall in the value of the dollar against the ECU (European Unit of Account) that could not have been foreseen. We have to cope with reality and not blind theory.

She added later that they had to ensure that the EEC Budget Council rigorously scrutinized any supplementary budget for potential savings. Every possible effort should be made to stop surpluses at source so that they did not eat up the large amount of the budget that they did at the moment.

US accused of state terrorism

NICARAGUA

The Contras and Nicaragiuans who have resorted to armed struggle against their own government did not seek to advance their cause by terrorist acts in third countries, Mr Timothy Eggar, Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during Commons question time exchanges

Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, had asked: Did the Government remind President Reagan at the Tokyo summit that his proposals for military aid for the Contras involves the United States in a most blatant form of state terrorism, since the Contras engage in horrifying atrocities, including torture and mutilation, against innocent women and children and are now being accused in the US of drug running and plotting the murder of an American ambassador in central America?

So long as President Reagan supports such activities he has no right to claim to be an opponent of state terrorism.

Mr Eggar: Mr Healey is trying to draw a parallel which does not stand up to any examination between US action in Libya and in Nicaragua. In Libya Gadaffi has committed the Libyan Government to organizing and directing a world-wide campaign of terrorist violence against innocent people outside Libya.

Risks taken by those who work in Libya

PROTECTION

British citizens who continued to live and work in Libya did so at their own risk, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during Commons questions. Their protection could not be the only consideration of foreign policy, but he hoped the day would never come when the Government was heedless of their safety.

There was no doubt the risk from terrorism to innocent people would be more likely to increase in the case of inaction by countries such as Britain.

Our consistent advice since April 1984 (he said) has been that British citizens choosing to live and work in Libya do so on their own responsibility and that consular assistance and protection is limited.

We have more recently advised the withdrawal of dependants and non-essential staff. Our consul in Tripoli is in close contact with representatives of the British community which now numbers around 3,500.

Mr Richard Douglas (Dunfermline West, Lab): In view of recent statements by the US President and Vice President in relation to the possibility — indeed probability — of the US taking action against state-sponsored terrorism in other countries, what advice is the Foreign Office giving to British nationals in Syria, Iran, Iraq and elsewhere?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: Our advice to travellers in all areas where tension is increased or where the risk of terrorist violence is substantial — for example in certain parts of Beirut — is that they have to make their own judgements at their own risk and responsibility.

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexleyheath, C): As he would not wish to have British nationals expelled from Libya solely on the grounds of their being British, will he confirm that no Libyan students will be expelled from this country solely on the grounds of their being Libyan? Their training in this country is very much in our long term interest.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: Action taken in respect of Libyans, whether students or otherwise, resident in this country is taken on the basis of evidence and grounds of security considerations and not on the basis of any general categorization.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L): Does he believe that British nationals, whether at home or abroad, are safer from terrorism now than before the bombing raid or does he share the assessment of Mr George Shultz, US Secretary of State, that Colonel Gadaffi may be more dangerous now than before?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I have not seen that particular assessment but there is no doubt that the risk of terrorism and injury to innocent people as a result of it would be more likely to increase in the case of inaction by countries such as our own

Mr Andrew MacKay (Berkshire East, C) said some people would not be particularly sympathetic to British nationals who found themselves in difficulties in Libya as the dangers had been made abundantly clear to them and they were extremely foolhardy to go there at this time.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I understand the point. We have no legal means of preventing British citizens visiting or remaining in Libya, but our advice to them has been very clear.

Mr Ernest Ross (Dundee West, Lab): Will he make it quite clear that British nationals who have married Libyans and now live in Libya will have no impediment put in their way, or the way of their families, when they wish to visit relatives?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: In today's world many people are parties to cross-national marriages of that kind and governments have to treat them sympathetically. There is no question of any retaliation or measures by ourselves against others solely because of their nationality or marital status.

Mr Geoffrey Dickens (Littleborough and Saddleworth, C) said the safety of British nationals should not always cloud the judgement of British foreign policy.

Science report

Fresh clues to the cause of acid rain

By John Newall

Research at Lancaster University is showing that the devastating effects of acid rain are due to more than sulphuric and nitric acids formed in the atmosphere from sulphur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide, SO_2 and NO_2.

The Lancaster team led by Professor Terry Mansfield have experimentally exposed plants and trees to the same concentrations of SO_2 and NO_2 as those found in forests devastated by acid rain, but found they had little or no effect.

This led the scientists to conclude other factors must be at work. Now they have growing evidence to suggest that these extra factors are extremely low temperatures in the winter and relatively high ozone concentrations formed by sunlight acting on hydrocarbon gases in the summer.

If the research proves the case against winter temperatures and ozone, then the most likely conclusion is that while acid rain weakens plants and trees, they are actually killed by winter temperatures, ozone and possibly other factors.

Such findings would strengthen the case for limiting emissions from oil refineries and vehicle exhausts as well as from coal and oil burning power stations and domestic and industrial fires and furnaces.

Refineries and vehicle exhausts are the main sources of the hydrocarbons from which ozone is formed by sunlight.

The Lancaster team uses four experimental greenhouses which can be filled with any desired mix of air plus various pollutants and set to any required temperature.

During the past few months they have been exposing plants and trees to air containing SO_2 and NO_2 at the levels found in areas devastated by acid rain, while at the same time blowing in cold air to bring the temperature rapidly down to -6C. Next they will reproduce the summer conditions.

Fire death mystery of family

A father told an inquest yesterday about the night that the woman with whom he was living, her four children and a family friend died in a fire at their Manchester home.

John Allison was awoken shortly after going to bed by the family friend, Karen Dunlop, aged 16, who helped to look after the children. "She said she could smell smoke."

The girl stayed upstairs with the rest of the family while Mr Allison dashed to a neighbour's house to raise the alarm.

Mrs Gloria Heap, the woman with whom he was living, a divorcee, her four children and Karen all died in the fire on February 19 at the semi-detached house in Moston, Greater Manchester.

Mr Leonard Gorodkin, the city coroner, said all the victims died from carbon monoxide poisoning.

He said: "It was a most terrible tragedy for a family to be wiped out like this. The cause of the fire seems to remain something of a mystery.

He recorded verdicts of accidental deaths in all cases.



Sir Richard Attenborough, president of the Muscular Dystrophy Group, preparing yesterday to present petitions to the Commons from more than 50,000 people calling for the provision of outdoor electric wheelchairs for the severely disabled. With him is a sufferer, Adam Myers, aged 11, of Wembley, north-west London (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

Twins born to giraffe

Bernardine, a giraffe at the Longleat safari park in Wiltshire has become the first to give birth to twins – one male and one female – in captivity.

"We had noticed that Bernardine was pretty large and we joked that maybe she would have twins, but we were astounded when it actually happened," Mr Ian Small, a Longleat spokesman said.

But when the staff arrived yesterday morning they found the giraffe with two healthy calves.

"She had no help from a vet or anyone else and now the calves have started walking and feeding," Mr Small said.

The calves will spend a few weeks in a special pen until they are sturdier.

Sale room

£117,096 paid for surrealist box

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A foretaste of the surprises on the way, when Christie's auctions at West Dean in West Sussex next month the furniture and works of art from Edward James's various homes, came with the $181,500 (estimate $40,000-$50,000), or £117,096, paid for a box by the American surrealist, Joseph Cornell, in New York on Tuesday night.

It had been in store since James gave up a California home in the 1950s. Edward James died last year and his estate was left to the Edward James Foundation, which runs West Dean as a crafts college.

While most of the material from California has been shipped to England for sale, it was thought that the work of an American surrealist would sell better in America. James, who inherited great wealth, was one of the first patrons of the surrealists in the 1930s and a collector of the boxes with carefully orchestrated contents which Cornell adopted as an art form.

This is one of his earliest. It was included in the exhibition, Fantastic Art, Dada, Surrealism, at the Museum of Modern Art in New York in 1936-37 with the title, "Elements of Natural Philosophy". The box contains 55 glass bottles with miscellaneous contents and two picture cards.

The sale of contemporary art included a new auction price record for the sculptor, David Smith, at $1,320,000 (£851,652). The 7ft welded steel sculpture of 1963 comes from his "Voltri-Bolton Landing" series and is considered one of the artist's greatest works.

Christie's had a near miss with Jasper Johns's "Target" of 1961, which was unsold just below the reserve at $2 million. The sale totalled £3.6 million. At Christie's East a model of a dovecot, described as "Whieldon type", sold for $33,000 (£21,290) against an estimate of $1,500 to $2,500; the purchaser considered it a genuine Whieldon piece.

COMMENTARY



Geoffrey Smith

The big difference between the by-election campaigns in Ryedale and West Derbyshire lies not in the strength of the Conservatives, but in the strength of Labour.

In both constituencies, there is a groundswell of protest against the Government. But in West Derbyshire, this has up to now been fairly evenly divided between Liberal and Labour.

The question there is whether in the final days of the campaign it has been possible for the Liberals to persuade enough Labour waverers to switch their votes to defeat the Conservative.

In Ryedale, however, the Liberal is widely seen as the obvious candidate to support if the Conservative is to be beaten. As I have been round the doorsteps in parts of this large and varied constituency, I have been left in no doubt that Mrs Elizabeth Shields is garnering most of the anti-Conservative vote.

That is why the Liberal Party, despite a half-hearted attempt at seemly public caution, is privately confident of victory. The Liberals will now suffer a blow if they fail to win.

Drumbeat of anxiety

It is because they may strengthen the tendency for the protest vote to concentrate on the Liberals that the Conservatives have been venting their indignation on the Gallup poll conducted for Yorkshire Television and the *Daily Telegraph*.

This poll, putting the Liberals eight points ahead in Ryedale, which strikes even them as a bit too good to be true, may not lose the Conservatives any votes. It may even, as they claim, harden the determination of their supporters to go to the polls.

But it is also likely to confirm the belief that a vote for the Liberal candidate would be well worthwhile for the disgruntled.

Much of the disgruntlement in Ryedale seems to come from local issues. Or, as Mr David Steel prefers to think of it, from the local consequences of national policies.

Always in the background, there is the drumbeat of anxiety on unemployment. To this is added worry over local bus services, the schools, small farms, and the proposed closure of the Filey Coastguard Station. The pensioners are resentful about the modesty of their rise, and everywhere these days one hears complaints about hospital cuts.

The more local the issue the more Mrs Shields appears to be at home with it. Her range, however, may be somewhat limited.

Mr Neil Balfour, the Ryedale Conservative, is the most articulate and assured of the three candidates on national questions – though he is liable to put his foot in it on occasion.

The West Derbyshire Liberal, Mr Christopher Walmsley, would be more likely than Mrs Shields to make an impact at Westminster, I believe, if he can manage to get elected.

Knows her territory

Yet Mrs Shields has the kind of qualities that can easily be underestimated. While she is unlikely ever to win an election through the drama of her campaign, she is equally unlikely to lose one through a foolish lapse when the wind is blowing in her direction. She is assiduous, apparently single-minded, and she knows her home territory.

She comes to polling day in what must be a very different frame of mind from her Labour opponent, Mrs Shirley Haines.

The one consolation for Mrs Haines is that she can never throughout this campaign have suffered from the illusion of false hopes.

From what I have seen, she has known that she has nothing to win, so she has sensibly decided that she better not lose anything either.

There is a point here that may, I suspect, be of wider significance. Not so long ago, Labour candidates often gave the impression that they thought the world was against them. In politics, that easily becomes a self-fulfilling assumption.

But neither in Ryedale nor in West Derbyshire have the Labour candidates and their immediate entourage displayed such paranoia. It may only be a matter of style, but it is quite an important one.

The immediate question is whether the Alliance will be given a new infusion of hope. But whether any improvement is lasting will depend as much as anything upon how the other parties comport themselves.

Local councils urged to seek ratepayers' views for improved services

Local councils often have no clear idea of their aims in providing services, many of which are a result of historical accident rather than a response to people's needs, a National Consumer Council report states:

The services continue because the councils lack an established system of finding out what ratepayers want, and do not provide enough information for the ratepayers to make judgements, the report, published today, maintains.

It urges authorities to respond more to the communities they serve by developing ways of measuring their own performance.

It suggests an increased use of statistical studies, surveys and discussions with tenants and other consumers.

Councils should also make themselves more accountable by publishing wider details of their performance than simply financial figures, the report, based on a two-year study carried out in collaboration with two local authorities, states..

Mr Michael Montague, the consumer council chairman, said yesterday that many consumers allowed sloppy standards from their council, while the authorities' own figures told them nothing about consumer satisfaction.

"We get the services we deserve. Telling the council what we want doesn't make us agitators or malcontents – just responsible consumers," Mr Montague said.

The study tested performance for six different services provided by Cambridgeshire County Council and Newcastle upon Tyne City Council, including housing repairs and maintenance and refuse collection.

The authorities were selected because of their established concern for consumers.

It suggests practical methods of improving councils' awareness, such as checklists of questions for people to rate the service they receive.

The consumer council, a government-funded body, will itself be publishing guides on consumers' rights in each category.

The report contains some criticism of the councils for not having clearly defined objectives.

"It was disappointing to learn that they were rarely specified in a concise, concrete way, and for some services we suspect that many authorities have no clear idea of what they are trying to do at all," it says.

It recommends that council members and officers should recognize that their true function is not to provide services for their own sake. Rather, they are there to give people access to useful services which would not otherwise be available.

The introduction of proper "performance measurement" could act as a catalyst for a general change in attitude.

It is acknowledged that the consumer-value provided by some services can be much harder to pin down than others, such as housing repairs, but the report emphasizes that there is room for improvement in most areas.

"In several services, we encountered extraordinary gaps in the authority's knowledge about a service which prevented even the most rudimentary evaluation.

"Few library authorities, for example, know who their users are, even in terms of numbers," the report says.

It concludes that councillors should be convinced of the benefits of a consumer-directed approach.

Measuring Up. Consumer assessment of local authority services: a guideline study (National Consumer Council, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AA; £8).



A wave from the Queen yesterday as she leaves St Paul's Cathedral with the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Alan Davies, after a service of intercession and thanksgiving for British industry and commerce.

Campaign continues to improve food labelling

The Consumers' Association today promised to continue to fight the Government for better food labelling and more information about the 3,500 additives now in use.

A survey carried out by *Which?* magazine said that by shopping around even inside the same shop it may be possible to find other versions of the same product with fewer additives.

"As public concern about additives has increased in recent years, manufacturers and retailers have responded by changing the additive content of their products. Even so, it could be quite a while before you find anything like the full range of revised products available in your supermarket," the report said.

A survey of 1,000 packaged products found only 140 with no additives listed at all. When additives were present "four was not an uncommon number and 28 items had 10 additives or more".

Some additives are known to cause intolerance reactions, although there is no medical evidence that they cause more long-term problems.

"All additives should be listed on the label by the E numbers," *Which?* said.

A wasted court day 'costs up to £4,000'

Every time a High Court case has to be adjourned, leaving a court without any work for the day, more than £4,000 of taxpayers' money is wasted, a judge said yesterday.

Mr Justice French made the remark when it seemed that an adjournment of a case, at the request of lawyers, might leave his court empty for a day when there was a waiting list of hundreds of other cases.

Later a spokesman for the Lord Chancellor's Department, which administers the courts, said that just providing a courtroom at the High Court cost £1,000 a day.

The cost of running a courtroom at a crown court, where serious criminal cases are heard, could be as much as £1,300 a day.

High Court officials are constantly urging lawyers to give them plenty of warning if they want to cancel a hearing.

The £4,000 figure given by Mr Justice French is understood to include his own salary, the wages of court staff and the cost of providing him with a personal clerk.

High Court judges earn £55,625 a year and Lords Justices of Appeal £60,750 a year. Circuit judges hearing cases in crown and county courts throughout England and Wales received £36,500.

Liverpool puts £40m into homes

Liverpool's left-wing Labour councillors yesterday announced plans to spend £40 million to boost their housing programme.

Mr Derek Hatton, the Militant-supporting deputy council leader, said the package would create 5,000 new jobs in the building industry.

He insisted that the announcement had not been deliberately timed for the eve of today's local elections, claiming that agreement had been struck only yesterday with contractors.

The package includes 14 contracts for 573 new council homes, and eight new contracts for improving and converting 703 others.

Another eight demolition contracts will see the end of some of the city's worst tenements.

About £5.5 million will be spent on 22 contracts for environmental improvements and another £2.5 million on street works. The councillors have also earmarked £4.1 million for improving school buildings.

About £20 million of the £40 million cost of the projects will be covered by a "deferred purchase arrangement" – a deal struck with financial institutions last year.

Attempt to heal car plates rift

By Clifford Webb
Motoring Correspondent

The motor trade is so divided over proposals to change the annual vehicle registration identifier from August to another month that the Government may be forced to impose its original choice of October.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, has announced that he is prepared to change his mind about switching to October commencing next year "if the weight of opinion in the motor industry as a whole changes and provided this is acceptable to the police".

By throwing the ball back into the industry's court he has in effect told the two main trade bodies, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) and the Motor Agents Association (MAA) to heal the present rift between them or he will impose a solution.

The two sides have arranged to meet next week but last night the prospects of agreement remained slim.

The MAA, which represents most of Britain's garages, said a change to October would cost the trade up to 180,000 new car sales next year because dealers would not be able to offer attractive part exchanges on used cars so near the "dead" winter months.

For that reason it was strongly in favour of July.

The SMMT said October was the month preferred by British vehicle manufacturers because it would reduce peaks and troughs of sales caused by the letter change in August and result in fewer workers being laid off in the closing months of the year.

Neither body has come near to obtaining a majority view from its members.

Austin Rover would like to see the year identifier abolished. It does not accept the MAA claim that annual sales will suffer. It is unlikely to get its way because the police say the year registration letter is the first thing witnesses remember and is a great help in tracing cars.

Bamber sent for trial

Jeremy Bamber, the farmer accused of murdering five of his family, was committed for trial to Chelmsford Crown Court by Maldon magistrates yesterday.

Mr Bamber, aged 25, of Goldhanger, Essex, who has been in custody for seven months, is charged with shooting his parents, Nevill and June, both aged 61, his sister, Sheila Caffell, aged 27, a fashion model, and her twin sons, Daniel and Nicholas, both aged six, on August 6 last year.

The family were shot at their home, White House Farm, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Essex.

No application was made for bail.

Misleading headlines on university funding

The Press Council has upheld a complaint against *The Times* over two headlines which gave a misleading impression of university finances.

By not responding to a professor's criticism, the newspaper failed to make amends, which it could have done by publishing a correction, clarification or letter, the council said.

In a feature on the government White Paper on public spending, one report was headlined: "Increase in funding for universities". One of a strip of headlines at the top of the page read: "University boost".

The introduction spoke of selective increases amounting to £20 million a year over three years, and another paragraph said university spending was being cut in real terms by 1.6 per cent next year.

Professor M.J. Rennie, head of the department of psychology at Dundee University, complained that the two headlines were misleading, giving a damaging impression that universities would gain from financial policy, and the editor failed to make amends.

Most readers would not be familiar with the present poor state of funding of Britain's universities. Professor Rennie said, but even many who were would assume that the headlines told the truth.

Mr Michael Hoy, managing editor of *The Times*, replied that nobody reading the story could form any opinion other than that the increases were selective. While the headline might not be ideal, it could in no way be suggested the article was misleading or damaging, he said.

The Press Council's adjudication was:

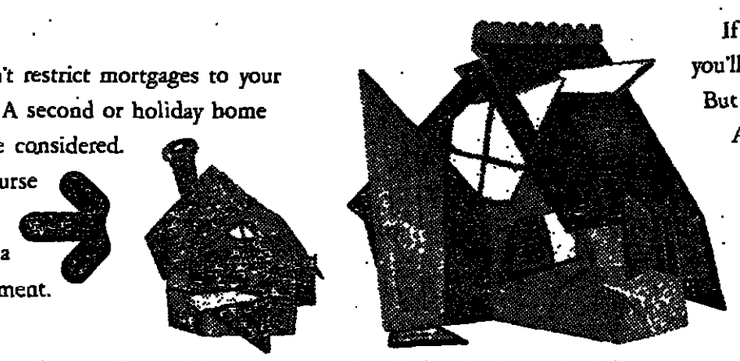
From its introduction, the article made clear that increases in university funding to which it referred were selective, and that university spending was being cut in real terms.

However, the two headlines "Increases in funding for universities" and "University boost" were misleading and contrary to the main thrust of the article. They were likely to lead readers to believe the budget proposed was, overall, beneficial to universities when the reverse was true.

By not responding to the complainant's criticism, the paper effectively failed to make amends for its misrepresentation which it could have done by publishing a correction, clarification or letter.

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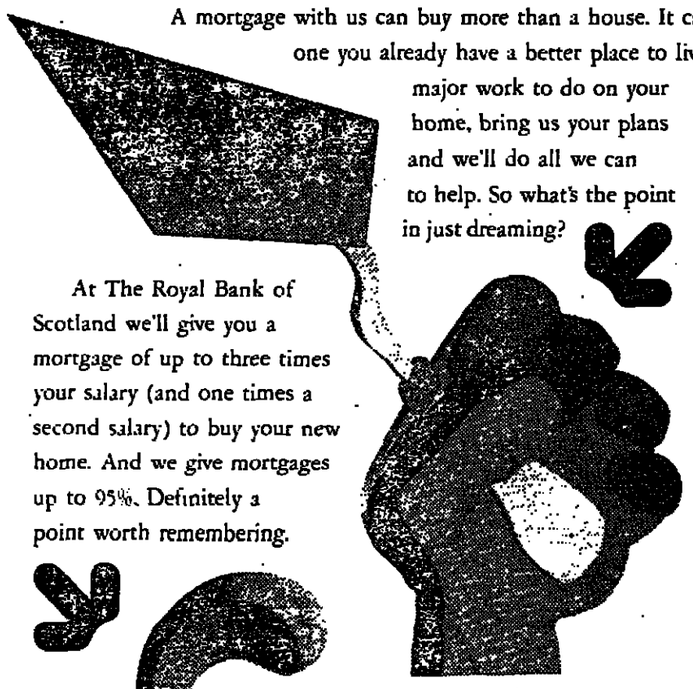


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Sharp Senate rebuff for Reagan over arms sale to Saudis

From Michael Binyon, Washington

In a sharp rebuff to President Reagan, the Senate has voted decisively against his proposal to sell $354 million (£236 million) of advance arms to Saudi Arabia.

The surprisingly large vote – 73-22 – was enough to enable the Senate to override Mr Reagan's promised veto of the resolution of disapproval. It marked the first time the Senate had explicitly rejected a proposed arms sale. The House of Representatives was due to vote last night, and was certain to reject the deal.

Twenty-nine Republican senators joined 44 Democrats in voting against the sale, even though Senator Richard Lugar, chairman of the foreign relations committee, warned them that they were "taking a headlong plunge in opposition" to the President.

Asked in Tokyo about this, and about some reverses of his tax revision programme, Mr Reagan remarked: "Just wait until the old man gets home."

The Congressional opposition, mustered by Senator Alan Cranston, a Democrat from California, came despite the fact that Israel and its main lobby group in Washington did not oppose the sale. But opponents denounced Saudi Arabia for undermining the Middle East peace process, supporting the Palestine Liberation Organization and for condemning last month's US air raid on Libya.

The proposed sale includes Stinger anti-aircraft, Sidewinder air-to-air and Harpoon anti-ship missiles.

The Administration insists they are a vital symbol of American support to moderate Arabs, and would help Saudi Arabia fight radical and fundamentalist forces.

Last year the Administration was forced to withdraw a proposed arms sale to Jordan. The pro-Israel lobby in Congress is preparing to stop delivery of advanced surveillance aircraft first sold to Saudi Arabia in 1981.

● **RIYADH:** Arms deals were the main topic of discussion in the past three days between the Secretary of State for Defence, Mr George Younger, and Saudi officials (a Correspondent writes).

In particular, Mr Younger discussed the Saudi desire to establish an offset investment programme on the £5 billion Tornado-Hawk-Pilatus deal with the Saudi Minister of Defence and Aviation, Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz.

Mr Younger said that offset proposals had been discussed, and officials instructed to evaluate them and produce a definitive paper.

Mr Younger and Prince Sultan have decided to make a government-to-government deal that would spell out how an offset programme would be implemented.

An offset investment programme strives to offset large military or technological purchases with investment in the purchasing country, often involving transfer of technology.

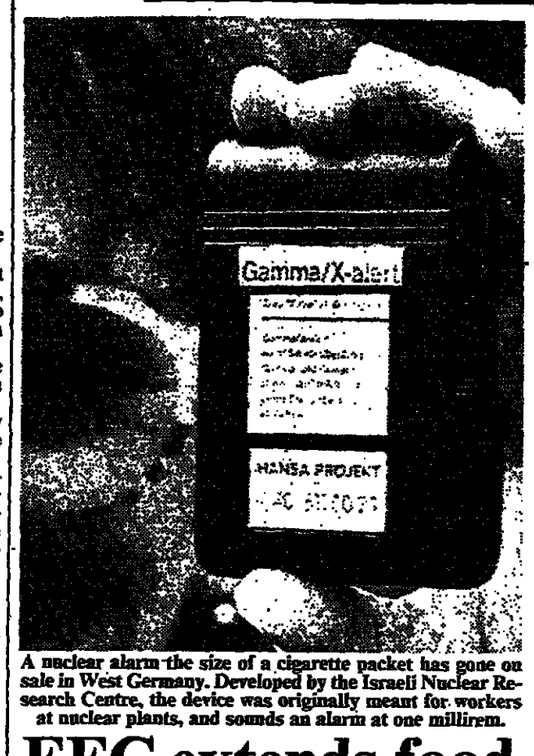
Although the US Senate voted against a $354 million missile deal, Prince Sultan did not ask Mr Younger for alternative British missiles.

Mr Younger stressed, however, that Britain would be willing to try to meet the kingdom's weapons needs.

Prince Sultan said the Americans were free to make conditions, but the Saudis were also free, and would buy weapons wherever they wanted.

He was waiting for the Reagan Administration to fulfil its promise to veto the Senate decision.

After Chernobyl: Europe works out how to cope



A nuclear alarm the size of a cigarette packet has gone on sale in West Germany. Developed by the Israeli Nuclear Research Centre, the device was originally meant for workers at nuclear plants, and sounds an alarm at one millirem.

Danes want plant in Sweden closed

From Christopher Follett, Copenhagen

A resolution calling on the Danish Government to demand that Sweden close its Barseback nuclear power station gained momentum in Parliament yesterday when it was supported by the leftist Opposition majority.

After yesterday's first reading, the resolution is certain to be passed after its third reading by the end of the month.

Barseback is just 12 miles from the Danish capital on the other side of the narrow Baltic straits.

Yesterday's move coincided with the publishing of a report, which contained guidelines for public health authorities, by the Copenhagen-based European headquarters of the World Health Organization (WHO) on the consequences of last month's accident at the Chenobyl nuclear power plant.

WHO had called together radiation experts and scientists from 11 eastern and western countries to assess the dangers resulting from the accident and according to them, restrictions on food imports are now not generally justified on health grounds.

WHO summoned the experts after many of the 33 countries in its European region appealed for advice in coping with increased radiation levels after the accident.

In the report, the experts expressed strong dissatisfaction with the Soviet Union for not giving sufficient or timely information on the accident. They called for improved international systems for monitoring nuclear fallout and better co-ordination between nations.

They said there was now, generally speaking, no radiation danger outside the immediate area surrounding the disabled power station.

They said that such precautions as avoiding going outdoors, gardening, farming, drinking rain water and taking iodine tablets and banning the import of fresh food from eastern European countries – except the Soviet Union – were no longer necessary.

The scientists also said that milk posed no general risk for infants and that breast feeding was safe. They warned however that radioactive rainfall may cause some restrictions in some areas.

The lack of full information, however, made a proper assessment of the long-term consequences impossible, the group said.

EEC extends food import ban list

From Richard Owen, Brussels

Senior EEC diplomats met yesterday to decide on the implementation of an EEC ban on food imports from areas of Eastern Europe affected by fall-out from the Chernobyl disaster, but were unable to agree immediately on which countries and products to include in the prohibited list.

Officials said the list, originally confined to six countries of the Soviet bloc, would be extended to Yugoslavia.

Trade and consumer affairs ministers on Tuesday considered a proposal from the EEC Commission banning imports into Western Europe of fruit and vegetables, milk, fresh meat and other products from Soviet bloc countries within a 625-mile radius of Kiev.

The ministers referred the proposal to tactical experts, and it was discussed yesterday by EEC diplomats empowered to take decisions when the Council of Ministers is not in session.

The next ministerial meeting is not until Monday, when foreign ministers meet in Brussels, by which time it may be too late to prevent the arrival in Europe of contaminated foodstuffs.

Officials said serious differences had arisen over whether Austria, Yugoslavia, East Germany and Albania, which were all omitted from the original proposal, should be brought within the EEC's *cordon sanitaire*.

Britain argues that the EEC should act only on the basis of a strictly limited list of nations and products where there is scientific evidence for a ban, and should review the ban weekly to ensure that the restrictions are lifted as soon as possible.

One diplomat said that although the EEC had to "err on the side of safety", such measures should not be an excuse for trade protectionism. Italy, which has already taken unilateral measures against imports from Eastern Europe and from fellow EEC states, insists that the ban should be comprehensive.

Sources said West Germany had resisted attempts to place East Germany on the proscribed list.

Ministers complacent, says Bonn Opposition

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

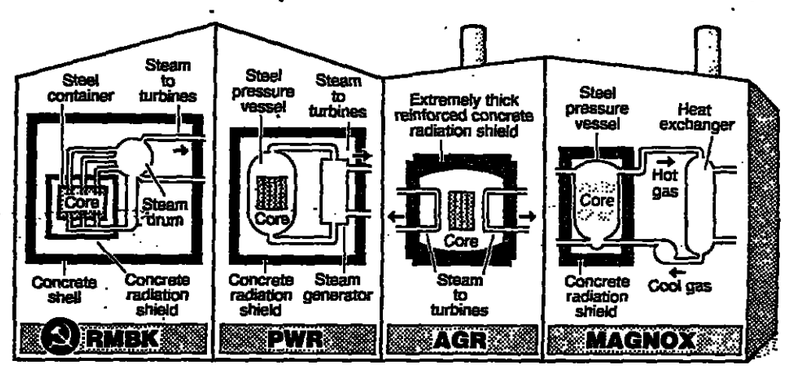
The West German Cabinet yesterday considered the country's state of radioactivity – and of public opinion – 11 days after the Chernobyl disaster amid Opposition accusations that it is being complacent about both.

Ministers have assured the public that levels of radioactivity are back to normal, but their Social Democratic and "Green" opponents say this cannot be true of the whole country.

The Government is concerned about the wide differences among the country's various *Land* governments in dealing with the effects.

● **ROME:** If radioactivity levels decrease in some 900 animals being held on the north-eastern border, Italian authorities will allow them to be taken to their original destination (Peter Nichols writes).

But if their levels of radioactivity do not fall, the animals from Poland will, presumably, be returned to that country.



Nuclear containment: how nuclear cores are protected in various types of reactors.

Shoppers panic as blast hits store

Johannesburg – An explosion on the internal fire-escape of a supermarket in Benmore, an affluent white suburb of Johannesburg, caused panic among lunchtime shoppers but no injuries (Michael Hornsby writes).

Black smoke billowed from a shattered first-floor window as police cordoned off the area and searched the building.

The blast occurred at a branch of the Pick 'n Pay supermarket chain, and coincided with a sit-in pay strike by some 6,000 black employees of the company at more than 30 of its stores.

The firm's branches were manned yesterday almost exclusively by whites.

Jail for water diet father

Melbourne (Reuter) – Marcus Barnes, the father of a three-year-old girl who died after being kept on a water diet for four weeks to cure a cold, was sent to jail for 18 months.

Barnes, a nurse, and the child's mother, Joanne Eaton, aged 26, were found guilty of manslaughter. They practise natural medicine.

Briton scales Nepal peak

Katmandu (UPI) – A British woman and an American photographer have scaled the 22,240ft Kantega peak in east Nepal.

Alison Hargreaves from Derbyshire, the only Briton among the 13-member American expedition, and Marc Twight, 25, from Seattle climbed the main peak through the difficult north west ridge.

Heart-lung woman dies

Scottsdale (UPI) – Mary Gohlke, the world's longest-surviving heart-lung transplant recipient, has died after a fall.

She was 50. She survived more than five years with her new organs.

Indian bishop

New York – Bishop Donald Pelotte, an Algonquin, has been ordained as the first US Indian Roman Catholic bishop, four centuries after the first Christian missionaries reached the continent.

Atoll test

Wellington (Reuter) – The French exploded their second nuclear device for 1986 at the South Pacific test site on Mururoa Atoll.

Israel to become third SDI ally

From Our Correspondent, Washington

Israel has become the third US ally – after Britain and West Germany – to join President Reagan's controversial Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) research programme.

Mr Yitzhak Rabin and Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Israeli and US Defence Ministers, on Tuesday signed a memorandum of agreement, or "guide lines", for participation by Israel.

The memorandum, which is classified, is designed to provide "a comprehensive basis for laboratories, research establishments, companies and industries, or other entities" in the joining country to participate in development of the SDI research programme, a senior Pentagon official said.

British and West German firms are competing with American companies for research contracts in the multi-billion-dollar SDI project, which the Reagan Administration hopes Japan and Italy will soon join.

● **JERUSALEM:** Israel has three main reasons for joining the SDI programme, and none of them has anything to do with possible Star Wars (Ian Murray writes).

The first is political. By joining the project, Israel hopes to make its close alliance with the US even closer. Mr Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister – who has had the embarrassment of discovering accredited Israeli diplomats spying on the US, and of finding a reserve Israeli general accused of arranging to sell American arms to Iran – is aware that he needs to take every opportunity to prove that Israel is a loyal US ally.

As an extension of this idea, Israel will now press for equal opportunities with European Nato countries in winning defence contracts. This shows that the second main reason for joining is economic.

The third reason is strategic. With the exchange of technology permitted under the agreement, Israel hopes to be able to get research which can help counter the threat of Sam missiles.

Acquitted judge to face panel

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

The Australian Government, moving to defuse a threatening political and constitutional crisis, yesterday announced a judicial inquiry into allegations of misconduct by Mr Justice Lionel Murphy of the High Court.

Mr Lionel Bowen, the Attorney-General, told Parliament the inquiry would be conducted by a panel of three

Although the judge was acquitted last week, on appeal, of attempting to pervert the course of justice, further serious allegations hang over him. A policeman has claimed that Mr Justice Murphy asked him to act as an informant in return for promotion, and transcripts published yesterday of conversations between the judge and Mr Morgan Ryan, a Sydney solicitor, raise further questions.

Through it all, however, Mr Justice Murphy has refused to resign, even though it is understood that a majority of his colleagues do not want him back on the bench.

US settles island land dispute

Koror, Palau (Reuter) – Authorities at a US missile base in the Marshall Islands said yesterday they have settled a long-standing land rights dispute with islanders.

A spokesman at the base said that the dispute, which led to sit-in protests at the base on Kwajalein atoll, was solved through the intervention of the Marshall Islands President.

Police evicted the islanders two weeks ago when they staged demonstrations at four sites in protest against a lease agreement and the atoll's use as a nuclear defence base. The islanders had gathered at nearby Ebeye island vowing to return to Kwajalein and repossess their ancestral land.

The base spokesman said the islanders would be relocated elsewhere and given more money for leasing their land. They currently receive an annual payment of $1,200 (£800) each.

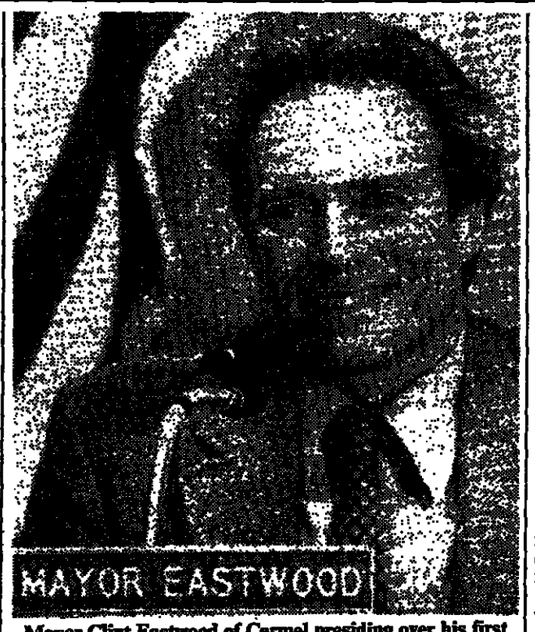
Kwajalein is part of the Marshalls group, a UN Trust Territory under US administration. The US wants to replace the trusteeship with a Compact of Free Association, which would guarantee US use of the range for at least 30 years.



US eases gun control laws

Washington – Gun control law in the US is to be loosened in the first overhaul of the Gun Control Act in 18 years (Christopher Thomas writes).

The new measure restricts federal inspections of gun dealers, eases record-keeping rules for dealers and mandates minimum sentences for those using guns in violent crimes.



Mayor Clint Eastwood of Carmel presiding over his first council meeting. Later, he fulfilled his election promise to allow more ice cream parlours in the California resort.

Politicians mourn Defferre

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Within hours of arriving back in Paris yesterday from the Tokyo summit, President Mitterrand flew to Marseilles to pay his last respects to his friend and loyal political supporter, Gaston Defferre, whose death he described as a great loss for France.

M Defferre, aged 75, was Socialist Mayor of Marseilles for the past 33 years.

News of his death brought in a flood of tributes from all parts of the political spectrum. M Jean-Claude Gaudin, president of the centre-right UDF in the National Assembly, described him as a great figure of French political life.

M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist Prime Minister, said his disappearance caused him great personal sorrow.

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Arms talks under a cloud

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

The fifth – and most crucial – round of the American-Soviet arms reduction talks gets under way in Geneva today with both sides blaming the other for the lack of progress so far and for failing to live up to the spirit of last November's Reagan-Gorbachov summit.

A decision whether or not to hold a follow-up summit later this year, as was agreed last November, could well hinge on the progress made during the present six-week session.

The Russians have made a second summit subject to two conditions – the US must stop souring the international climate and there must be an assurance of concrete results.

Last month, Moscow put off indefinitely a meeting between Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, and Mr George Shultz, his American counter-part, which was to have laid the ground work for the next summit, because of the US air strike against Libya.

It is unlikely the Russians will agree to revive that meeting until they see how the current talks are progressing, particularly the session dealing with medium-range weapons in Europe.

The Russians blame the lack of progress so far on Washington's determination to press ahead with its "Star Wars" programme and its continued build-up of offensive weapons.

A commentary in Tass said the present deadlock could only be broken if Washington abandoned its hope of gaining military superiority over the Soviet Union and instead tried to achieve equality in arms and security.

The Americans say that Mr Gorbachov is more interested in propaganda and in trying to split the Western alliance with superficially tantalizing proposals, such as his January 15 plan to rid the world of nuclear weapons by the year 2000, than in serious negotiations.

The 'Russians' wedge-driving tactics have so far proved ineffective. Nato has brushed aside Mr Gorbachov's plan for abolishing Euro-missiles (on condition that Britain and France abandon plans to modernize their own nuclear forces). Instead the alliance has backed President Reagan's zero-option counter-proposal which would eliminate all medium-range missiles in Europe by 1989.

However Moscow has not abandoned its attempts to separate the US from its European allies.

A visit to London last month by Mr Viktor Karpov, the chief Soviet negotiator, as well as the letter from Mr Gorbachov which Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the new Soviet Ambassador to London, delivered to Mrs Thatcher last week, were both intended to persuade Britain to hold separate talks with Moscow on freezing Britain's Polaris force at existing levels.

Britain has brushed aside the Soviet overtures.

Mr Max Kampelman, the chief US negotiator, said on arrival in Geneva that he was not bringing any new proposals to the negotiating table.

In his arrival statement, Mr Karpov indicated that he was not bringing any new ideas either. Instead, he called on the US to respond to Mr Gorbachov's January 15 proposals.

In these circumstances the chances of reaching an "interim agreement" on medium-range missiles - one of the stated objectives of last November's summit - which the two leaders could sign at their proposed next meeting do not look promising.

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Terrorism and the Tokyo summit

Reagan is inspired by sense of unity

From Sarah Hogg and David Watts, Tokyo

The Tokyo summit has been the "most successful of the six I have attended". President Reagan said at a press conference before he returned to Washington yesterday.

Mr Reagan had been inspired by the "sense of unity" at the summit. He added: "All we sought to accomplish was achieved." Among the allies, "the marriage is happier than I've ever seen it".

Mr Reagan stressed several times in the course of the press conference shortly before he left Tokyo that future action against terrorism would be co-ordinated. "We together will decide upon what is most appropriate," he said.

However, he evaded a question on whether the French would in future grant overflying rights to US bombers. He said that "we can take whatever action is necessary", but denied that he was planning further missile attacks.

President Reagan also denied that the attack on Tripoli was intended to "get one man", although he added that he did not think "any of us would have shed tears if that had happened"

Questioned repeatedly as to what extra measures his allies had agreed to take, President Reagan said that their discussions at the summit had covered "all the things that could be seen as tools", but had not thought it appropriate to put some of them down in a statement.

Mrs Thatcher, too, had hinted in her press conference that the counter-terrorist declaration would lead to further measures.

Asked if the declaration could be interpreted as a warning to other governments not to assist Libyan terrorist activities, the President said: "What we have made plain is that if we have the same kind of irrefutable evidence with regard to other countries, they will be subject to the same treatment."

Later, in response to another question about the involvement of other countries, he added: "We intend this to make them think also and realize that they're covered by this agreement, that they will have to face all of us united, if we get evidence that they are doing this."



President Mitterrand bows out from Tokyo airport.

He said that a decision on the denial of entry to those expelled by one of the seven would be "a decision that we will all make".

He also confirmed that there was a deadline of June 30 for the withdrawal of American oil firms from Libya.

In a statement at the beginning of his press conference, President Reagan clearly attempted to assuage the feelings of Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Japanese Prime Minister, who has not been seen to do well out of the summit. The "triumph at Tokyo" was due in no small part to Mr Nakasone's chairmanship, President Reagan said. Thanking his Japanese hosts, the President said: "We are in their debt".

More practically, President Reagan suggested that the economic declaration would help to achieve "greater stability of the yen-dollar rate, something both the United States and Japan desire".

This was clearly intended to soften the blow of US Treasury Secretary Mr James Baker's refusal to intervene to bring down the yen. It may also signify a dawning realization in the US Administration that the fall in the dollar has been dangerously rapid in recent weeks.

Touching on other economic issues, President Reagan said firmly that the summit had given the green light for a new trade round, even though no date was specified.

He claimed that the economic prosperity of the summit countries demonstrated the wisdom of free market policies, and advocated the same policies to developing countries.

President Reagan was noticeably emollient on the Chernobyl disaster, subject of another summit declaration. He welcomed the change in attitude in the Soviet Union that had taken place "in the last few days".

He passed quickly over the question of another summit with the Soviet leader, Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, which was said to be implied in a message from Mr Gorbachov delivered via a letter to Mrs Thatcher. President Reagan said he had not received any "direct message" that Mr Gorbachov wanted another summit.



A well-pleased Mrs Thatcher at Heathrow yesterday on her return from the Tokyo economic summit.

As other summit leaders left, the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Brian Mulroney, addressed the Diet as part of his official visit. In his speech, and later in discussions with Mr Nakasone, he called on Japan to liberalize its markets and import Canadian wood and marine products.

With the departure of most of the delegations yesterday, the centre of Tokyo returned to a semblance of normality, while the headquarters of the Chukaku-Ha radical leftist faction which had threatened to destroy the summit was searched by police.

Ballot-rigging and violence mar Bangladesh poll

From Michael Hamlyn, Dhaka

Bangladesh yesterday witnessed a massive nationwide effort to destroy any serious pretence of a return of democracy.

In the elections held to form a new Parliament reports from all round the country spoke of ballot boxes seized, polling booths captured by gangs of hooligans, presiding officers terrorized and the forces of law and order rendered powerless.

Even before any vote had been counted it was clear that there was interference by gangs supporting the government-led Jatiyo Party on a grand scale.

It is reasonable to point out that in elections all over the sub-continent, and particularly in India, there are frequent reports of misbehaviour by political parties and by gangs of toughs anxious to subvert the democratic process.

What happened yesterday in Bangladesh was on a quite different scale, however.

I visited the constituency of Dr Kamal Hossain, a former presidential candidate, in south-east Dhaka early yesterday morning. Polling was going on peacefully at the first polling station I called at in a Maniknagar primary school.

By 9.15 am, 196 men and 31 women had voted — around 7 per cent of the total — and a short queue had formed at the gate.

At the next port of call in Jatrabari there was a very different scene. A large, angry crowd gathered outside the polling station, surrounding a police lorry urging the inspector and his men to act to prevent what was going on inside.

A yellow patch marked the wall where a small bomb had exploded, and where men armed with billhooks had torn down the stand of the Awami League, Dr Hossain's party, before proceeding inside and ejecting the League's agent watching the poll.

The men then seized the ballot forms and, stamping them in favour of the Jatiyo Party, stuffed the ballot boxes with them.

While this was happening, I arrived but was not allowed in by the policeman at the gate. When finally an Indian colleague managed to enter with Dr Hossain, the presiding officer tamely explained that he thought the agent being ejected was being "sent out by his friends," and that the men stuffing the boxes was normal procedure.

Later, driving through the same district I saw a running battle going on between supporters of the Jatiyo Party and another group too far away to see which party they belonged to. Both sides were wielding long bamboo poles seized from a building site, and some were brandishing knives and axes.

Out in the countryside, matters were if anything worse. In the Palash Narshindi constituency — an attractive area of small industries and rice and jute — I met a presiding officer whose polling station was invaded early in the day by some 25 thugs who drove out the agents of all the candidates except the Jatiyo Party, and voted 1,800 times.

"I did not want to be a presiding officer," he said unhappily, "I was forced to do it. I called for the police twice but no one came. I have not cancelled the polling here because if I do I shall have to go through all this all over again."

Ballot boxes were sealed at many other polling stations after invasion by gangs of thugs in unnumbered Jeeps.

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Iraqi raid on main refinery in Tehran

Bahrain (Reuter) — Iraqi aircraft bombed Tehran's main oil refinery yesterday as an Iraqi commander said a new Iranian offensive was imminent on the southern Gulf war front.

Witnesses said an Iraqi jet dropped "a bomb as big as a car" on the refinery, starting a blaze which lasted for three hours.

A military communique in Baghdad said "squadrons of planes" attacked the 200,000 barrels-a-day complex, Iran's second biggest refinery, and "reduced it to ashes." But witnesses in Tehran said the fire was well away from the refinery's two vital catalytic cracking towers.

A second air raid alert was broadcast on Tehran radio four hours after the raid, and anti-aircraft fire was heard, but there was no sign of another attack.

● **Minister questioned:** An Iranian Cabinet Minister and a number of other high-ranking officials are under interrogation in Tehran in connection with the assassination on August 30, 1981, of President Muhammad-Ali Rajai and the Prime Minister, Mr Javae Bahonar (Hazhir Teimourian writes).

The minister is Mr Behzad Nabavi, the current holder of the heavy industries' portfolio who was, at the time of the killings, a Minister of State for Executive Affairs.

According to a Tehran daily, *Ressalat*, which has published, without comment, accounts of a new investigation into the affair, another of the suspects, Muhammad Muhammadi, a former chargé d'affaires in Kabul, recently committed suicide while undergoing interrogation.

Also held, according to the same paper, is Khossro Teherani, Iran's security chief until 18 months ago.

Japan oil suppliers reassured

Tokyo (Reuter) — Japan yesterday sought to assure its Middle East oil suppliers that its policy towards them had not changed despite the Tokyo summit declaration against terrorism, naming Libya as a major culprit.

Mr Shintaro Abe, the Foreign Minister, told the Lower House foreign affairs committee not to jump to conclusions. "We, as the summit host country, played a role of co-ordinating views. It is only natural for each summit country to make its independent decision based on its own treaties and domestic laws."

The declaration called for a ban on arms sales and curtailment of diplomatic ties with countries sponsoring terrorism. It specifically named Libya.

The Prime Minister, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, yesterday said Japan would act on its own in deciding whether or not to implement the measures.

Syrians linked to suicide bombings

By Our Foreign Staff

US suspicions of Syria's complicity in bomb attacks and assassinations directed against the West were first voiced covertly — and then ever more publicly — after the suicide bombings of the US multinational force Marine base in Beirut on October 23, 1983.

CIA investigations into the slaughter, in which more than 240 American servicemen died, never produced the identity of the truck bomber who drove smiling into the Marine compound early that Sunday morning.

Senior US officials from Lebanon who met at a confidential seminar in Norway on the multi-national force last year were forced to admit that they still could not name the organization which planned the attack.

But the same officials laid great emphasis on Syria's "guilt" in obstructing the work of the four-nation international army and on encouraging militias to attack it.

American intelligence agents did claim later that they received information that Iranians and Syrians had both been behind the Marine assault.

They said that several Iranians had been trained in the Syrian town of Zabadani on the Lebanese border and then sent into Lebanon to organize the bomb attacks.

The closest the Americans have come to identifying Syria as a culprit in recent bomb attacks came only a few weeks ago when Greek police blamed a Lebanese woman member of the Syrian Social Nationalist Party for planting the bomb that exploded on a TWA flight over Argos.

The woman, who lives in the northern Lebanese city of Tripoli, and whose husband was a militiaman who died fighting in Lebanon, denied the charge.

Stinging Gorbachov attack on US

From Christopher Walker
Moscow

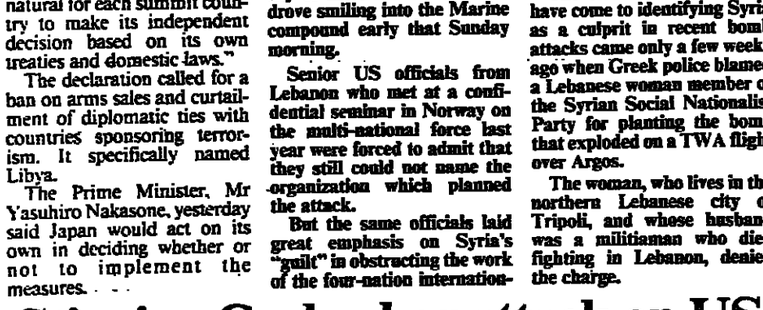
In a stinging new attack on the United States for its recent air raids on Libya, Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, warned in a Kremlin speech that a similar crisis over Syria or Iran could break out at any moment.

"The aggressor sustained a moral and political defeat in Libya. Virtually the entire international community condemned, in one form or another, the actions of the United States, but the White House would not calm down," he said. "It is bristling with new threats, now not only to Libya, but also to Syria and Iran. This means another crisis, caused by a striving for hegemony, can break out at any moment."

Speaking at a dinner in honour of the visiting Marxist President dos Santos of Angola, Mr Gorbachov claimed that the world had just lived through an "acute crisis" as a result of the bombing of Libya. He argued that no pretext about "international terrorism" could justify the actions taken by the US. "These actions themselves are the worst manifestation of terrorism, state terrorism, when a strong power claims the licence of 'lynching' countries it does not like."

MAGAZINE OF THE YEAR

DAVID BELLAMY ON BRITAIN'S COUNTRYSIDE



In a new special number of Country Life devoted to countryside conservation, Dr David Bellamy traces the ecological history of Upper Teesdale and explains why it should be designated a World Heritage site.

Also, David Tomlinson writes about the work of the Nature Conservancy Council; Charles Jarvis offers a view on hops in the landscape; Stuart Housden and David Minns consider the conflict between skiing and nature conservation in the Highlands; Ralph Whitlock discusses the future of a Wiltshire wood once threatened and now held in trust as a wildlife refuge; and, in a colour feature, Gordon Winter describes Canada's fine record in the management of national parks.

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5. **Sangers Photographics*** recom. PSG 26p recent price 78p +200%
6. **Parkfield Group*** recommended PSG 10p recent high 235p +2,250%
7. **Ashley Industrial***
8. **Unigroup*** recommended PSG 41p recent high 110p +168%
9. **A & P Appledore**
10. **Tozer Kemsley*** recommended PSG 24p recent high 78p +225%

*a penny share on January 1st 1985

(prices current, February 1986)

Of course, past performance is no guarantee of future success, but as you can see, **7 of the top 10 had been recommended in PSG, Wire and Plastic twice in fact,** so there was plenty of time for subscribers to buy. Two of the top ten, Regalion and Appledore, were **NOT** penny shares, the rest were, so again you can see how the leading rises were heavily weighted towards the 'penny share' sector. Unigroup, we can't really claim much credit for, because we did in fact suggest selling that well before the major rise occurred, but the essential point remains the sheer logic of the situation . . . 'penny' shares are far more likely to show the highest % rises in the market. Incidentally, the 1984 Daily Telegraph Race winners, Pentland Industries and Samuelson Group, both continued their upwards progress and finished only just outside the top ten for 1985, which goes to show that with 'penny' shares you need patience to give them time to perform in the first place, and patience to stay with them once they're into their stride.

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The real excitement has obviously been at **Wire and Plastic,** which always were good solid value; hence our strong recommendation at 35p and 37p around the summer of 1984, but it took the 1985 arrival of Saatchi's finance director to get the shares motoring!. Today they've been 310p! That just could not happen with an ICI — they might have moved a farthing on the news! With penny shares, one single, simple, solitary event can radically transform them — sometimes overnight . . . but not always overnight by any means. **Pentland Industries** for example, is today truly a legend and shows how a 'penny' share really can perform . . . given the time. In July 1978 we spotted them at the equivalent of *6½p, today they've been an incredible 320p, a 4,704% rise, reminiscent of **Bellair** and **Polly Peck** in their time. **Similarly,** Lanca too proved that 'penny' patience can be a virtue — their shares have risen from their original recommendation in our May '81 issue when they were the equivalent of **3¼p, to their recent 38p, much of it achieved in '85. This is the potential and the world of penny shares, truly a world apart from the rest of the market.

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Royal tour of Canada and Japan

Princely advice to stop youth violence in the age of automation

From John Best, Vancouver

The Prince of Wales has called on youth to concern itself with bringing out the "latent abilities" in people and thus help combat a drift into subcultures, alientation and violence.

The Prince made his appeal in a dinner speech to a room full of young achievers here on Tuesday night, at the end of his and the Princess of Wales' visit to British Columbia.

The eight-day visit was tied to Vancouver's centennial and the opening of Expo 86, the city's World's Fair.

The royal couple also called at a number of other cities: Victoria and Nanaimo on Vancouver Island; and Kelowna, Kamloops and Prince George in the province's interior.

Large crowds turned out to cheer them. The largest turnout was recorded on Tuesday as the Prince and Princess dedicated a park at Burnaby, just outside Vancouver, and toured a number of pavilions at Expo 86.

Tens of thousands gathered along the royal route through the Expo grounds, and at some points the crowds were 20-deep.

Several thousand others had gathered earlier to see them in Burnaby. It was a warm, sunny day and the crowds were in a warm,hospitable mood.

In his speech in Vancouver, the Prince paid tribute to the "obvious gifts and abilities" of the young people attending the farewell dinner.

"But what should concern us," he went on, "is how to bring out the latent abilities and talents so often hidden in the rest of us, or wasted. Those who are left out tend to retreat into subcultures governed by rituals of their own that can lead to alienation and even violence."

Primitive societies dealt with this problem through initiation rites. The challenge facing Western society was to find a contemporary form of initiation rite that can help young people cope with these "explosive transitions" from boyhood to manhood, girlhood to womanhood, youth to "person".

This was particularly relevant at a time of heavy unemployment and "the rapid onward march of automation in every field".

He added:"We all have something to contribute. But we often need imaginative leadership to bring it out."

He told his young listeners that they are capable of bringing new hope to people's lives, and added this plea: "Help them to believe in themselves. Let them know that somebody is concerned about them . . ."

Canada, the Prince said, was a young, pioneering country with great potential. The contrast with Britain was "quite extraordinary. We'll watch with fascination to see how you develop that potential. I hope you'll value your heritage and learn from the mistakes of others."

As an example of others' mistakes he cited the lack of farsightedness in the exploitation of the Amazon rain forests.

In Canada too "the temptation must be enormous to exploit natural resources where they are easiest to get at".

● **TOKYO:** The Prince and Princess of Wales arrive in Japan tonight on a five-day tour that has aroused great media interest (David Watts writes).

The royal couple fly to Osaka airport but will begin their tour of the country in the ancient capital of Kyoto.

They will stay at the Omiya palace, where theprevious Prince of Wales was put up during his visit to Japan in 1922.

There will be no formal programme for the royal couple tonight, but tomorrow their extremely busy schedule begins.

It will start with a visit to the Shugaku-in palace, and the programme includes a garden party given by the Governor of Kyoto prefecture and a reception given by the Japan-British Society of the Kansai, the St Andrew's Society and the British Chamber of Commerce.

That will be followed by a dinner given by the Foreign Minister, Mr Shintaro Abe.



Mr Sadeq al-Mahdi (left), the new Prime Minister of Sudan, is congratulated after his election at the National Assembly.

Offer to rebels by Sudan Premier

Khartoum (Reuter) — Mr Sadeq al-Mahdi, voted in as Prime Minister by Sudan's parliament, has extended an olive branch to neighbouring Ethiopia and called on Addis Ababa-backed rebels in the south to negotiate a peaceful settlement.

Mr Mahdi, who was sworn in on Tuesday, said on state television that he would more than reciprocate any move taken by Marxist-ruled Ethiopia to improve relations with Sudan.

The two countries have been at political loggerheads for nearly a decade.

Relations were even further strained over Ethiopia's support for the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army, which has been fighting government troops in southern Sudan since 1983.

Ethiopia, which sent a delegation to Tuesday's session of parliament, claims that Khartoum is continuing to support secessionist rebels in its Tigré and Eritrea provinces.

Mr Mahdi also called on the Sudan rebels to lay down arms and begin talks on a peaceful settlement, something they have so far rejected.

● **ADDIS ABABA:** Ethiopia demanded in talks starting here yesterday that Somalia recognize existing boundaries between them as a precondition for lasting peace (Reuter reports).

Mr Goshu Wolde, the Ethiopian Foreign Minister, said: "If Somalia recognizes the existing boundaries of Ethiopia and respects its territorial integrity, other differences between the two countries are not insurmountable."

Suharto family threat to sue over 'smear'

Jakarta (Reuter) — The family of President Suharto of Indonesia has issued a stinging rebuttal of corruption allegations published by *The Sydney Morning Herald* and has threatened to sue the journalist who wrote them.

The President's half-brother, Mr Probosutedjo, a leading businessman who often acts as spokesman for the President's family, launched the counter-attack on Tuesday.

The allegation that Mr Suharto, his wife, family and business associates had used their positions to accumulate great wealth in the style of former President Marcos of the Philippines was regarded as insulting by the Government here and triggered a diplomatic row between Australia and Indonesia.

Indonesian newspapers yesterday highlighted a statement by Mr Probosutedjo that he would sue the Australian paper's foreign editor, Mr David Jenkins, for defamation and had hired a British lawyer to do so.

He said Mr Jenkins had smeared and humiliated the President.

Ethiopians admit defection at last

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

The Ethiopian authorities have announced the defection of Dawit Wolde Giorgis — who, as head of the Ethiopian Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, had the task of co-ordinating international aid for victims of the 1984 and 1985 famines there — six months after he left the country and failed to return.

Mr Dawit's flight was reported by *The Times* early this year, but neither he nor the Ethiopian Government would then confirm the details. He has been in the United States recently.

Now Addis Ababa radio has broadcast an announcement saying: "While others in Ethiopia were striving to save the lives of their fellow-countrymen, Dawit betrayed his country and exchanged his dignity for personal gain."

A former army major, he was Governor of Eritrea — where a guerrilla war has been going on for more than 20 years — before becoming head of the relief commission in 1984.

Sabah Christian leader sworn in

From M.G.G. Pillai, Kuala Lumpur

Datuk Joseph Pairin Kitingan, leader of the Christian-dominated Sabah United Party, was sworn in as Chief Minister of Sabah yesterday within hours of his party's landslide victory in a mid-term State Assembly election.

The SUP won 34 of the 48 seats and reduced the two main Opposition parties to playing minor roles in the new House. It also all but wiped out the Berjaya Party leaving it with only one seat.

But the results also indicated clearly that Sabah voters preferred to keep their distance from the Malaysian central Government, which had forced the SUP after its April 1985 State Assembly election victory to form a coalition instead of ruling alone.

Meanwhile, President Mahathir, who is expected to come in for some criticism after the SUP landslide, yesterday reshuffled his Cabinet in a bid to close ranks with it and his ruling coalition.

The new Cabinet: Prime Minister and Home Affairs: Datuk Seri Mahathir Muhammad; **Deputy Prime Minister and National and Rural Development:** Ghafar Baba; **Finance:** Mr Baim Zainuddin; **Public Works:** Datuk Samy Vellu; **Labour and Manpower:** Datuk Lee Kim Sai; **Welfare Services:** Datuk Abu Hassan Omar; **Justice, and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department:** Datuk James Ongkili; **Minister in the Prime Minister's Department:** Datuk Khalil Yaakob; **Defence:** Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi; **Housing and Local Government:** Datuk Chan Siang Sun; **Foreign:** Tunku Ahmad Rithaudeen; **Trade and Industry:** Tunku Razaleigh Hamzah; **Transport:** Datuk Ling Liong Sik; **Primary Industries:** Datuk Paul Leong; **Energy, Post and Telecommunications:** Datuk Leo Moggie; **Public Enterprises:** Datin Rahdah Aziz; **Education:** Anwar Ibrahim; **Land and Regional Development:** Datuk Adib Adam; **Information:** Datuk Rais Yatim; **Science, Technology and Environment:** Datuk Stephen Yong; **Health:** Datuk Mak Hon Kam; **Federal Territory:** Datuk Shahrir Samad; **Culture, Youth and Sport:** Datuk Sulaiman Daud.

Police are 'closer' on Palme

From Christopher Mosey, Stockholm

The chief of the Stockholm police, Mr Hans Holmer, yesterday hinted that there may have been an "international motive" behind the February 28 assassination of Mr Olof Palme, the Swedish Prime Minister.

Swedish police have scaled down their hunt for Mr Palme's killer, leaving only 75 police out of the original special force of 300 on the job.

Mr Holmer said: "We will continue to work with it until we have solved the murder. In the beginning, we had only a murder and two bullets. Today, we know almost exactly how that murder took place.

"We know much more about the international motives that can be part of the picture. We know a lot about the national motives.

"We have gathered a lot of material about people and groups that could be of interest to the investigation."

Mr Holmer said police were closer to solving the murder than they were two months ago, but he could not say how close.

They are continuing to question Victor Gunnarsson, aged 33, the man they originally charged with the killing but released because of a lack of evidence.

Mr Gunnarson was a former member of the European Workers' Party, which campaigned against Mr Palme's left-wing policies.

Tax return sweetener for Spain

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Spain's Socialist Government, which is seeking re-election next month, has postponed the deadline for making this year's income tax returns until after polling day in an attempt to avoid upsetting the electorate.

An estimated 7 million Spaniards — 25 per cent of those who can vote on June 22 — would otherwise have had an income tax returns deadline in the last week of campaigning.

But the Cabinet has had to ask the Council of State, a watchdog body which vets proposed Bills and decrees, to study whether the Finance Ministry can alter the tax rules in this way.

The coinciding of the Spaniards' dreaded annual encounter with the taxman and the general elections is one of the consequences of the hurried decision by Señor Felipe González, the Prime Minister, to have an early poll.

Señor Oscar Alzaga, one of the leaders of the right-wing Opposition, admitted yesterday that the early poll had caught them seriously unprepared.

Señor González had repeatedly promised a general election only at the end of his four-year term.

As a further election sweetener, Madrid's underground is to delay its previously-announced increase in fares until after polling day.

Jail preferred to bail

From Harry Debelius, Madrid

Señor José Maria Ruiz-Mateos, former owner of Spain's biggest private holding company, Rumasa, until it was expropriated three years ago, said he will return to jail rather than put up 300 million pesetas (£1.4 million) bail, according to reports published here yesterday.

The businessman, awaiting trial on charges of fraud and falsification of public documents, was imprisoned after being extradited from West Germany, then allowed to live under house arrest in Madrid, pending an appeal against conditions set for his provisional liberty.

On Tuesday, the National Court confirmed the 300 million pesetas bail set by a lower court.



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New Costa Rica leader to convene summit on Contadora proposal

From Martha Honey, San José, Costa Rica

Dr Oscar Arias, who is being sworn in today as President of Central America's most democratic and stable nation, plans to use the occasion to project himself as a peacemaker in regional affairs.

After the inauguration festivities, his first act as President will be to convene a summit of the ten Latin American heads of state who have arrived here.

The summit will concentrate on the deadlocked Contadora peace proposal, and the leaders are expected to sign what is being termed a "declaration of peace".

However, Nicaragua's President Ortega will be absent. He said last week that he would not come for fear of demonstrations by Nicaraguan exiles and Contras living in Costa Rica.

Nicaragua is being represented by its newly-appointed ambassador, Señor Claudia Chamorro, who has little political influence.

Also absent will be US Vice-President George Bush who will attend the inauguration but leave just before the summit.

Despite their absence, the roles of the US and Nicaragua in Central America are certain to be central to the discussions, and relations with these two countries promise to become the most difficult foreign policy issues Dr Arias will face.

Since his election in February, Dr Arias has been more outspoken on foreign affairs than his predecessor, Señor Luis Alberto Monge.

To the annoyance of Reagan Administration officials, Dr Arias opposed US military aid to the Contras, and has vowed to try to expel anti-Sandinista guerrillas from Costa Rican territory.

His task is not easy, because guerrillas have for three years operated across the northern border, and the US-backed Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN) is trying to increase its presence in Costa Rica.

However, Dr Arias has sought and found support from other Latin American countries.

In addition, Argentina and Peru are likely to help with police and security training and equipment, thus lessening Costa Rica's dependence on the US.

The disbursement of $160 million (£107 million) in US aid, World Bank and International Monetary Fund cash has been suspended for months, a move which several Arias aides and press accounts interpret as a form of political retaliation.

However, the Costa Rican Central Bank president, Señor Eduardo Lizano, insists that the money is held for "purely technical reasons", including Costa Rica's failure to cut its public payroll, reduce government subsidy on basic grains, and substantially devalue its currency.

One of the first tasks of the Arias administration will be to try to negotiate a new standby agreement with the IMF to secure the release of the blocked funds.

Dr Arias said recently that he fears that the US, which gives more aid per capita to Costa Rica than to any country except Israel, may retaliate by cutting its annual aid package.

This appears to be happening, with estimates that the current fiscal year's grants will total only $130 million, compared with more than $200 million last year.

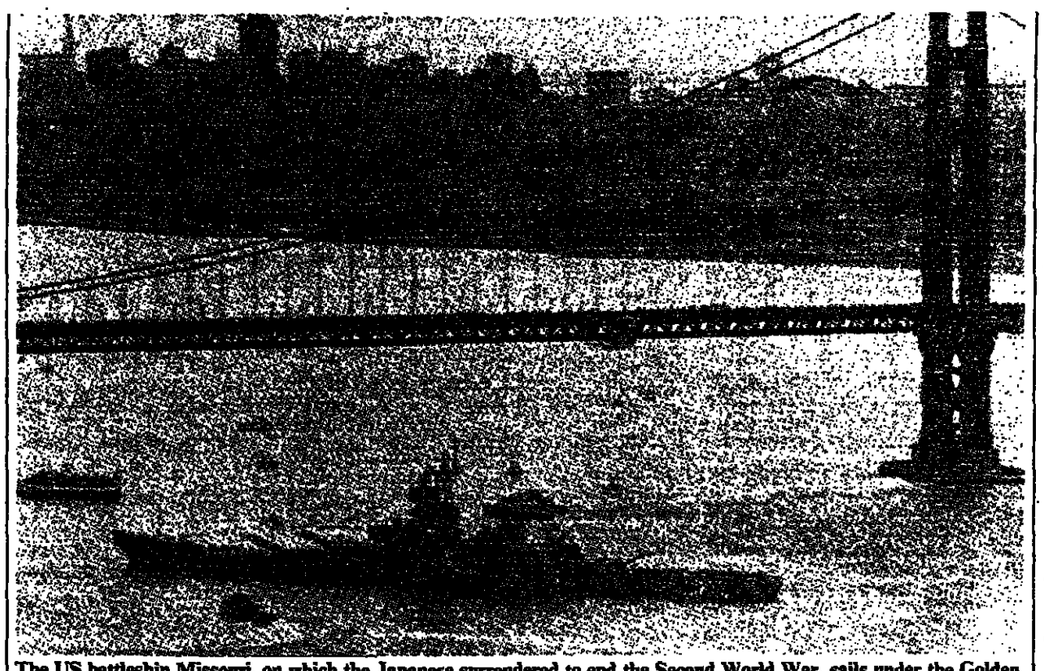
Dr Arias's most concrete and probably difficult domestic task is to adhere to his campaign pledge to build 80,000 new public sector houses in the next four years. He has named one of his most competent and left-leaning supporters, Señor Fernando Zumbado, as Minister of Housing.

Señor Zumbado, a close adviser during the campaign, had been expected to receive a more important political post. But Dr Arias has filled the top foreign and security posts with party centrists or conservatives.

Despite his more independent foreign policy stand so far, his appointments have disappointed some left-wingers in his National Liberation Party.

● **NEW YORK:** Costa Rica, with one of the highest per capita debts in the world, defaulted on its commercial bank loans by failing to make an interest payment last month, bankers said yesterday (Reuter reports).

They said Costa Rica failed to make a $19 million interest payment on April 28 and did not settle the default within the five days allowed.



The US battleship Missouri, on which the Japanese surrendered to end the Second World War, sails under the Golden Gate bridge in San Francisco for a $475 million overhaul and a return to active service after 31 years in mothballs.

Pilot 'glad to be home'

From a Correspondent, Peking

The first Taiwanese commercial pilot to defect to China told foreign reporters at a press conference in the Great Hall of the People yesterday that he was glad to be in the motherland.

"People (in Taiwan) are subjected to severe mental pressure," said Mr Wang Xijue, aged 56, who on Saturday flew a Taipei-bound China Airlines Boeing 747 cargo jet to Canton, where he surrendered to Chinese authorities.

He said that life under nationalist rule had proved too much for him and added: "There are corrupt officials in Taiwan, privileges are rampant, economic crises are numerous, and traffic is chaotic."

Mr Wang left his wife of 30 years and his two children in Taiwan. His wife said she could not believe he would remain in China.

Meanwhile, Peking authorities insisted that China Airlines should send officials to Peking to meet representatives of the civil aviation administration of China to decide what to do with the aircraft.



Mr Wang Xijue: Pressure in Taiwan was too much.

Battle lines drawn in Rome

Fast food versus high fashion

From Peter Nichols, Rome

The most exquisite of Italy's great fashion designers will today challenge in a Rome court the right of the world's best-known purveyor of hamburgers to bring "noise and disgusting odours" to the elegant streets of the Piazza di Spagna.

McDonald's versus Valentino promises to be a battle between giants. But it will be more important for the social issues involved than for the legal question of whether large-scale frying which attracts the surburban crowds can be punished under the penal code. Valentino will satisfy a sizeable body of opinion if he succeeds.

The launching of a fast-food emporium, the biggest of the worldwide McDonald's chain, provoked an extraordinary shock, more than the promoters can have foreseen. Some of the reasons are obvious enough.

The site is close to the Piazza di Spagna, which is not only one of Rome's most beautiful squares but a part of the city associated with highly cultivated living (or for that matter, dying, because it was there that Keats met his tragically early death).

Another obvious reason was that McDonald's opening coincided with the start of the period in which international terrorism and the United States became closely involved with each other, and so uninhibitedly American an establishment looked like it might be an inviting target for the terrorists.

The third of the more obvious objections came from conservative-minded Romans who still relish the idyllic idea of their city as Europe's last stronghold of the lavish and lengthy lunch. The newspapers have been full of touching reminiscences of a happy childhood spent playing on the sun-swept Spanish Steps in the Piazza di Spagna and of the genuine smells emerging from the kitchens of the decorous little restaurants, which once perfumed old Rome.

The Roman lunch had become a rarer occasion, however, long before McDonald's entered the scene. In part a survival of European habits of two centuries ago, when heavy eating remained an afternoon and not an evening pursuit, the long lunch was kept here in its place of honour.

Eating in a hurry would also have threatened to upset the peaceful afternoon sleep that many Romans regarded as essential to a well ordered life.

That ingenuous form of hedonism could not survive the bitter reality that Rome was to become, in a remarkably short space of time after the war, the capital city of the world's seventh industrial power.

One effect of the country's social transformation was that Rome, with notable reluctance, began to surrender something of its easy-going ways — though by no means all, as business people and industrialists still complain.

At the same time, the social changes brought a heavy migration into the cities from the countryside and from the South, an experience which gave to Rome in a special sense among the cities a variety of social problems.

The hope of finding work in Rome had much less substance than in cities such as Turin and Milan where industry was already established. The immigrants settled on the outskirts and their presence brought the building speculators who constructed the huge dormitory suburbs destined to be left for years without basic urban services.

The whole city is now facing the problems of the first generation of people who have reached adulthood, the children of poor immigrants, in these soulless zones.

What has all this to do with McDonald's descent on Piazza di Spagna? Almost everything, because McDonald's immediately became one of the centres for Italian young people to gather, many of them from the harsh background of unplanned suburbs.

By whatever is the opposite of a stroke of genius, the Rome authorities first placed an underground railway station in Piazza di Spagna and then went on to allow McDonald's to open a few hundred yards away.

The difficulty of trying to make fast food cohabit with Piazza di Spagna is symbolically illuminated by the Valentino complaint that the noise and smells upset his atelier which stands directly above the interloping burger chain. But the real issues go deeper than high fashion against fast eating.

Britain presses China for damages

From a Correspondent Peking

British and Chinese officials are holding the first round of high-level talks in a bid to resolve British claims against China, many of which predate the Communist revolution of 1949.

A five-member British delegation — representing the Bank of England, the Foreign Office and London's Council of Foreign Bond Holders — began a week-long series of meetings on Monday with representatives of the Chinese Foreign Ministry and Bank of China.

At issue are British Government corporate and private claims for loss of property and indemnities arising from the turbulent war years in China through the 1949 revolution and the early 1950s, when many foreign assets and properties were nationalized or confiscated by the new regime.

A British official in Peking declined to estimate the total amount involved but said the £192 million face value of outstanding Chinese Railroad Bonds held by British and US investors, as well as the bonds' accrued interest arrears totalling £132 million, represented "just one small part of what we're talking about".

The defaulted Chinese Railroad Bonds, issued between 1895 and 1937 and repudiated by the Communists after 1949, have attracted considerable attention in the West as the Government of Mr Deng Xiaoping seeks to borrow funds from Western capital markets for its modernization drive by floating new bond issues denominated in yen and deutschmarks.

Both the Bank of England and US banks have indicated they will attempt to block any sterling or dollar denominated issue by a Chinese borrower until the railroad bonds question is settled.

In Hong Kong the old bonds are auctioned as collectors' items.

● **US delegation:** Mr James Baker, the US Treasury Secretary, and a delegation of 32 US Government officials arrived here for the sixth annual meeting of the Sino-US joint economic committee.

Over the next 2½ days, they are expected to raise with the Chinese the possibility of concluding a bilateral investment treaty.

Law Report May 8 1986

Council's duty of care in inspecting foundations

Jones and Another v Stroud District Council

Before Lord Justice Fox, Lord Justice Neill and Lord Justice Ralph Gibson

[Judgment given May 7]

Where a claim was brought against a local authority for negligence arising out of the approval of plans for the erection of a building and failure to inspect the foundations at the time of erection, unless the building was "doomed from the start" there was no breach of the authority's duty of care, and consequently the cause of action against the local authority did not arise, until the condition of the property gave rise to danger to the health or safety of persons present on the premises.

The exception of a building doomed from the start was limited to extreme cases of gross defects which were likely to be disclosed almost immediately.

The Court of Appeal so held when allowing an appeal by the plaintiffs, Mr Alfred Jones and Mrs Jillian Jones, from a decision of Mr Victor Wellings, QC, sitting as an official referee, given on May 23, 1984 that the plaintiffs' claim against Stroud District Council, the successors to Stroud Rural District Council, for negligence and breach of statutory duty in approving plans for the erection of a house at Edge, Gloucestershire, was statute-barred.

Mr Christopher Symons for Mr and Mrs Jones; Mr Philip Naughton for the local authority.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that the house was built in 1964, since when it had suffered damage by subsidence.

The plaintiffs had bought it in 1975. At about the end of 1976 Mr Jones had noticed for the first time that the corner of one bedroom had started to move away.

At about the beginning of 1977 the plaintiffs had instructed a chartered engineer. He had expressed the opinion that the main causes of the damage to the house were: subsidence of the subsoil because of the extreme climatic conditions of 1976; the footings were bearing on materials susceptible to subsidence: weakness in the basic construction concept, and water penetration to the underside of the concrete footings.

The plaintiffs had decided to have work done which would both remedy the damage and effect further improvements and additions. Their scheme of work had been carried out by a firm controlled by Mr Jones.

The plaintiffs had lived in the house until 1980, when they sold it.

The writ in the proceedings was issued on May 1, 1981.

The judge had dismissed the plaintiffs' claim on the basis that it was statute-barred.

Having reached the conclusion that the local authority had been negligent and that the damage was directly attributable to that failure, the judge had based his decision that the claim was statute-barred on the speech of Lord Fraser of Tullybelton in *Pirelli General Cable Works Ltd v Oscar Faber & Partners* ([1983] 2 AC 1).

It appeared that the judge had decided the issue of limitation on two alternative grounds: that some significant movement of material had probably occurred before 1975, and therefore more than six years before the issue of the writ, or that by reason of defective foundations the house had been "doomed from the start" and was certain to endanger the health if not the safety of the occupiers so that the cause of action arose in 1964 when the house was built.

Considerable assistance was to be derived from *Investors in Industry Commercial Properties Ltd v South Bedfordshire District Council* (*The Times*, December 31, 1985; [1986] 1 All ER 787). To the five propositions set out in that case by Lord Justice Slade it was necessary to add a sixth based on Lord Fraser's speech in the *Pirelli* case to the effect that time ran against the owners as a class, and if time ran against one it also ran against his successors in title.

It followed from those propositions, and in particular Lord Justice Slade's third proposition, that until the condition of the property gave rise to danger to the health or safety of persons present on the premises no breach of the duty of care had taken place and accordingly no cause of action had arisen.

It had been argued that it would be unjust if the cause of action against the local authority were to arise in a particular case at a later date than the cause of action against the builder because that might affect the right of the local authority to recover against the person primarily responsible for the damage.

The answer was that that the obligations of the local authority and the builder were not coterminous. In many cases an action for negligent work might lie against a builder where there was no claim whatever against a local authority.

Unless the doctrine of "doomed from the start" applied, no cause of action arose against the local authority until some time after the end of the drought in 1976.

It was to be remembered that in *Pirelli* the chimney was built with defective material so that on one view the cracks which appeared a few months after completion were inevitable.

It seemed that Lord Fraser intended to limit his exception to extreme cases where the defects were likely to be disclosed almost immediately. The words were not intended to apply to such a case as the present, where the defect, although serious, might not have led to any danger to health or safety for too many years.

The view that the "doomed from the start" exception was limited to gross defects and to rare cases was in accord with what Lord Fraser had said in *Pirelli* and with the judgment of Lord Justice Lawton in *Ketteman v Hansel Properties Ltd* ([1984] 1 WLR 1274, 1288), as well as with the judgments of experienced official referees at first instance.

In those circumstances the plaintiffs had a claim against the local authority and it was not statute-barred. The appeal should be allowed.

Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Lord Justice Fox agreed.

Solicitors: Herbert Smith & Co; Rowberry Morris, Gloucester.

Summary of wages book insufficient

Oliver v Northampton Borough Council

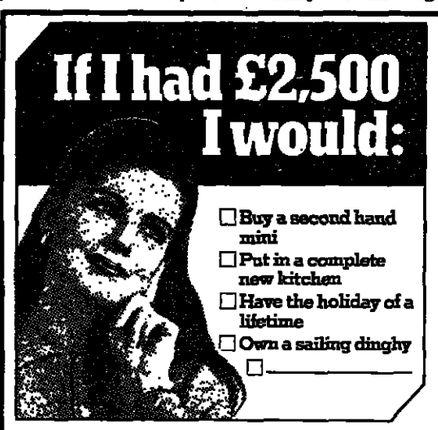
A summary extract of accounts in a wages book could not be described as the equivalent of the wages book or its computer equivalent for the purposes of section 17(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1982.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Mann) so held on April 28, allowing an appeal by way of case stated by the Northampton Justices, brought by the applicant, Mr John Oliver, who sought to inspect the wages books relating to employees engaged by an entertainment centre which had been set up by the council.

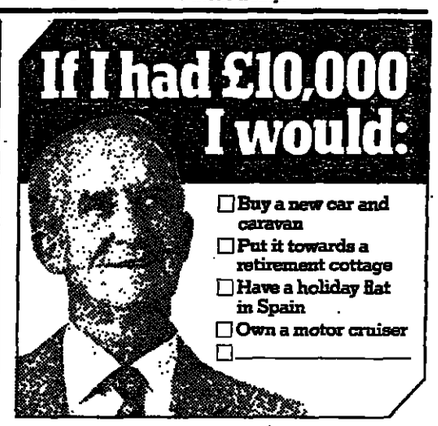
The appellant contended that a summary of accounts which gave only the gross receipts of the employees did not comply with section 17(1) of the Act.

MR JUSTICE MANN said that what had to be revealed under accounts were be books or computer records relating both to gross and net payments to employees.

The statutory language seemed to be quite compulsive. That might be unfortunate because private matters might be revealed by persons who were under no obligation of confidentiality, but his Lordship was quite unable to say that a summary extract complied with the requirements of the section.







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Preacher of the liberation gospel

THE TIMES PROFILE

ALLAN BOESAK

There was an expectant stir in the congregation packed into a church in a coloured (mixed-race) suburb of Cape Town one day last January as Dr Allan Boesak, most magnetic of the new breed of turbulent priests challenging the moral conscience of South Africa's ruling white tribe of Afrikaners, took his place in the pulpit and began to preach in his distinctive high-pitched voice.

Earlier in the day, President P.W. Botha had opened Parliament — a body with segregated chambers for whites, coloureds and Indians, but no seats for the African two-thirds of the population — by announcing the creation of a new "National Council" on which blacks would be allowed to negotiate with the Government. Dr Boesak was not expected to sound grateful for this concession, and he did not disappoint.

His text was taken from the first book of Samuel, chapter 5, verses 1-6, and told how the Philistines had taken the ark of God and set it up in the house of Dagon, how they had found the idol lying on its face the next morning, how they had set it up again, only to find it overturned and broken once more. The symbolism was clear. The Philistines were the Afrikaners, the ark of God the Dutch Reformed Church (DRC), and Dagon the false deity of apartheid.

In his closing catechism on the evils of the Botha government, Dr Boesak returned to his opening theme, promising his cheering audience repeatedly that "Dagon will fall". It was a typically fiery performance. The intellectual content was slight, and there was more than a touch of showmanship, but the sermon's pace and shape were beautifully judged as Boesak hammered home a simple message: liberation will come. Passion alternated with humour, and every so often he would slip from English into wicked mimicry of government ministers in an Afrikaans more fluent than that spoken by most Afrikaners.

"It does give me some satanic joy to speak Afrikaans because I know it hurts them", he admits. "When I speak Afrikaans it hurts them far more than (Bishop) Desmond Tutu does, because Desmond is English, he's Anglican and he comes to them from a totally different psychological framework. When I get up there and say things in Afrikaans, and say them in words so familiar and with so much Reformed Church content, it drives them crazy."

Boesak is the epitome of the "cheeky Kaffir", the black man who declines to accept his subordinate status. He springs also from that special group of South African blacks known as Cape Coloured, who share the Afrikaners' language, faith and blood. When he speaks of the certainty of black liberation, he does so from the heart of the same Calvinist tradition that has enabled Afrikaner theologians to proclaim that apartheid is divinely ordained.

Boesak is Assessor, the second highest position in the Sending-kerk or Mission Church, the branch of the segregated DRC which ministers to the coloured community. He leapt into international prominence in 1982, at the age of 36, when he was elected President of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, representing some 70 million people in 150 denominations.

It is an office he will hold until 1989. The meeting of the Alliance in Ottawa at which he was elected also adopted a motion, introduced by him, declaring apartheid to be a heresy and a sin. The two main white branches of the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa, the Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk and the Nederduitsch Hervormde Kerk, refused to endorse the declaration, and their membership of the Alliance was suspended.

In September of the same year, at the four-yearly synod of the Sendingkerk in Cape Town, Boesak was instrumental in getting a "confession" adopted which similarly branded apartheid a heresy. The confession has been under consideration over the last four years by local congregations and will come back to the next synod, in September, for ratification. Boesak says that any attempt by seconded white ministers and conservative coloured colleagues to block ratification would provoke a major crisis in the Church.

For Boesak, "religion is about politics" in the sense that the Church "must be concerned about the conditions in which people live". To complaints from the government that priests should stick to the spiritual sphere, he has a short answer: "Afrikaner nationalism is unthinkable without the Dutch Reformed Church, so it is quite hypocritical of them to say we are meddling in politics when one thinks of the role that just one man, D.F. Malan, played in their own history" — a reference to the DRC pastor who in 1948 became the first prime minister of the apartheid era.



Fiery performer: Allan Boesak, the most magnetic of South Africa's turbulent priests

His own "political coming of age", as he puts it, was within the black consciousness tradition. He was a great admirer of Steve Biko, who was bludgeoned to death in security police custody in 1977. Black consciousness, he says, helped him through the crisis of identity — "that schizophrenia of in-betweenness" — which many politically-aware coloureds experience, and gave him a self-confidence he had previously lacked.

He became uncomfortable, however, with the movement's emphasis on blackness *per se*, and could not accept that a white, simply by virtue of his colour, was rendered incapable of identifying with the black man's struggle. He finally broke with black consciousness three years ago when he played a leading role in the formation of the United Democratic Front, the multi-racial coalition of anti-apartheid groups that shares the political aims of the underground African National Congress (ANC) and has become the most widely-supported radical opposition to the government still (just) within the law.

Last August, Boesak was arrested on the eve of a protest march that he was to have led to Pollsmoor Prison outside Cape Town to demand the release of its most famous inmate, the ANC's Nelson Mandela. Held in solitary confinement for three weeks in a prison in Pretoria, he emerged somewhat thinner (he is fond of good food and an excellent cook) to be charged on September 20 with subversion, a crime that carries a maximum possible penalty of 25 years in jail. Released on bail of 20,000 rands (about £6,650), he is due to appear in court next Monday.

Among the subversive acts of which he is accused is the advocacy of foreign economic disinvestment in South Africa and a boycott of schools. If he were found guilty of the former, it would set an interesting precedent in view of last month's call — by Bishop Tutu, soon to become Archbishop of Cape Town and Metropolitan of the Anglican Church in Southern Africa — for punitive economic sanctions.

Boesak agonizes over the morality of violence. From a strictly theological point of view, he believes, the case for counter-violence against the South African state is almost unanswerable. He can find no good argument why Calvin's concept of "public avengers" raised up by God "to punish unrighteous domination" should not apply to the ANC.

Yet for all that, he insists, the Church's duty to warn against counter-violence is greatest precisely when its use seems theoretically most justified. "I really don't believe that violence can ultimately solve problems", he says. "I am desperately afraid of what violence does to people, the soul-destroying element of violence, the ease with which one slips into using violence, and the difficulty of breaking a cycle of violence once it has begun." Two months ago, at a funeral service in Lawaaikamp, a black township near George, east of Cape Town, Boesak himself had to leap down from the altar to rescue a man in danger of being beaten to death by other mourners who believed he was a police agent.

Boesak, born in the small rural town of Kakamas in the semi-desert of the north-eastern Cape, was the seventh of eight children of a school-teacher father and a seamstress mother. His father died when Boesak was seven, and the family moved to Somerset West, also in the Cape. One of his earliest memories is of his father trying to buy him a cool drink on a hot day and being told by the shopkeeper that the drinks in the refrigerator were only for whites.

After studying theology at the University of the Western Cape, he was ordained as a minister at Paarl, in the heart of Cape wine-growing country. It was there he met his wife, Dorothy, a teacher and a member of his congregation. They now have four children — three girls, Lieneke, aged 15, Belen, 12 and Pulane, nine, and a boy, Allan junior, who is seven. There followed six years of study at the Kampen Theological Institute in Holland, punctuated by a semester at an ecumenical seminary in New York where he became fascinated by the oratory of black Baptist preachers. He and his family returned to South Africa as the 1976 Soweto uprising broke out, a turning point in his own political education as well as that of his country.

Early last year a smear campaign, started apparently by members of the security police, who had been keeping him under surveillance for political reasons, forced Boesak to admit to the existence of "a relationship" with a white woman who worked as an official in the South African Council of Churches. He looks back now, with relative calm, on "three months of sheer hell". His wife stood by him and, although he was temporarily suspended from Church duties, he was later reinstated. The incident has certainly not doused his political fire.

Michael Hornsby

BIOGRAPHY

1946: Born on February 23, at Kakamas in north-eastern Cape, the seventh child of eight children of schoolmaster father and seamstress mother.

1963-67: Studies for the priesthood at the Bellville theological seminary in Cape Town.

1968: Ordained as a minister in the Sendingkerk the coloured branch of the Dutch Reformed Church, and assigned to a congregation in Paarl.

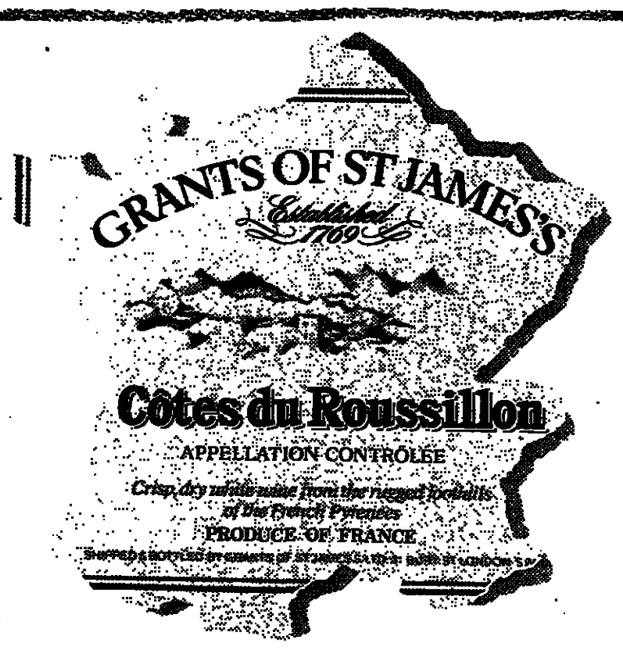
1970-76: Further studies at the Kampen Theological Institute in Holland. Writes doctoral thesis on black theology.

1981: Elected chairman of the Alliance of Black Reformed Churches in Southern Africa which rejects theological arguments for apartheid.

1982: Elected President of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches at meeting in Ottawa at which apartheid declared a heresy. Also elected Assessor of the Sendingkerk, the second highest position in the Church.

1983: Addresses inaugural meeting of the United Democratic Front, of which he is made a patron.

1985: Briefly detained in March while leading protest march to Parliament in Cape Town. Arrested again in August on eve of march he was to have led to Pollsmoor Prison outside Cape Town to demand the release of Nelson Mandela. Held for three weeks and then charged with subversion. Still awaiting trial.



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Keeping the Lakes in trim

The popularity of Britain's best known area of natural beauty has created a severe problem for the National Trust

Dr David Bellamy's warning that the Lake District is in danger of being loved to death can be tested with a tape measure at Cockshott Point on Lake Windermere.

The wash from boats on one of Britain's most intensively used inland waterways, amplified by the prevailing winds, is eroding the point at the rate of 10 feet a year. Undermined by the waves, the crumbling soil gives way beneath the very feet of those who come to commune with intense waterside beauty.

Visitor damage is not restricted by altitude. Two thousand feet up, at Stickle Gill in Great Langdale, much of the public path has disintegrated. It took an RAF airlift of repair material to reduce the backlog of maintenance, in a programme of repairs to that footpath alone which still has three years to run.

In the Duddon Valley at Cockley Beck Farm many roadside dry stone walls have tumbled into decay under the triple assault of snow, sheep and wind. According to agricultural logic the single-handed tenant farmer should leave the walls flat, and string a wire fence along the byes, the ancient pastures traditionally marked off in stone from the bleak scree and wild moorland above. But aesthetics demand that the stone tapestry be re-erected. The work will keep craftsmen busy for a summer, at a cost of £18 a foot.

The National Trust, which owns the most scenically memorable quarter of the Lake District National Park, has a heavy burden of problems there. The Lakes, unmatched in the UK as an area of accessible, concentrated magnificence with an estimated 16 million "visitor days" last year, have become the Trust's most conspicuous liability.

Since 1902, the Trust has acquired nearly all the central fell massif over 1,000ft and the important valley heads, as well as 85 farms, more than 250 houses and cottages, 23 lakes and tarns, and many woodlands and areas of shore. But its 140,000-acre holdings are exposed to the most extreme climate in England, the fell boot and the vagaries of EEC agriculture regimes.

A full-time manager has just taken over from a voluntary committee to upgrade the Trust's rather quiet two-year-old appeal in time to catch the spring tide of Lakeland tourists. Bernie McDermott, a former appeal organizer for Oxfam, is being set a daunting annual target of £500,000 for the foreseeable future, double the initial figure.

There has been criticism from within the Trust's 1.25 million membership that the appeal has been under-promoted since its launch in 1984. It has raised about £350,000 so far, falling short of its modest target of £500,000 over the first two years. Lord Gibson, the Trust's chairman, has said that the the Trust needs £7.5 million to clear up the backlog of work in the 10 valleys where it owns property.

There has been a huge influx of car-borne visitors

Unlike its stately homes, the lakes bring the Trust no income, apart from farm rents and the meagre takings, about £8,000 a year, from 32 voluntary collection boxes. The Trust already spends £1 million annually for landscape upkeep.



Roger Scruton

Exposed: the erosion at Cockshott Point, Windermere

The Manpower Services Commission and the Countryside Commission give a further £500,000. Volunteers put in 6,000 days unpaid work. The appeal will try to make up the difference between that and the Trust's estimated £2.5 million annual maintenance budget in the lakes. Nigel Sale, north-west regional information officer, says the Trust will aim its appeal at visitors with "care and sensitivity". It doesn't want to spoil people's enjoyment by reminders that the landscape they have come to wonder at is flawed.

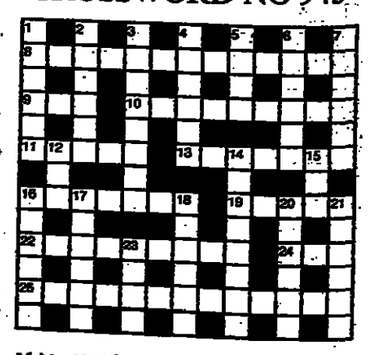
The Trust's problems have been compounded in the last 30 years as its holdings in the national park have increased five-fold. There has been a huge influx of car-borne visitors. Meanwhile farmers try to increase their income by keeping larger flocks, which are checking the regeneration of ancient broadleaved woodland.

The Trust's appeal leaflets are littered with colourfully named causes for concern: derelict barns, dilapidated bridges, eroded foreshore and footpaths, at Sour Milk Gill, Bleaberry Tarn, Tilberthwaite Gill and Cinderdale. In an attempt to restore its properties in the most seemly way the Trust's experts repair farm buildings in traditional lime mortar: burnt lime is mixed in a bath with river gravel and two sorts of sand. It is longer lasting and a better damp proof than cement rendering and paint.

And instead of using sawn timber, which rots quickly and lacks internal strength, they are reviving the use of oak and ash, split along the grain, taken from the Trust's own coppices. "It may be more labour intensive and expensive but it is historically correct, it lasts a lot longer and it looks much better", Sale says.

Gareth Huw Davies

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BOOKS

See life as it really is

FICTION

Elaine Feinstein

AN AFTER DINNER'S SLEEP
By Stanley Middleton
Hutchinson, £9.95
THE GOOD MOTHER
By Sue Miller
Gollancz, £9.95
ELLA
By Dee Phillips
Hodder & Stoughton, £9.95

Stanley Middleton's novels confront the everyday world with a stoicism as honourable as Larkin's, to encompass the recognition of human cowardice, failures of face, the discomfort of ageing, and the certainty that nobody's life is altogether happy. It is a mode that acknowledges the limits of art itself. "Would you choose *Mansfield Park* if you were dying?", a character wonders here. It is an inquiry less about Jane Austen than the puzzle of what remains appropriate, given even an undramatic expectation of life. And more violent possibilities are present from the moment Eleanor fumbles for an unlit bell outside the house of a man she had once loved, half a lifetime ago. Death is there always, at the edges of the page; suicide in newsprint, cancer of relatives, the diseases of small children, a motorway accident that removes a wife and child. A frenzied murder at the far end of an English garden is simply the hottest breath of that monstrous presence.

Alastair Murray, the man in his sixties at whose door Eleanor has presented herself, has become used to loneliness, and reviving memories of his far past unsettle him as he ponders what she wants from him. An unmistakable aura of romance surrounds the question to which she herself seems hardly to know the answer. She is widowed; and perhaps never loved her husband. Alastair sees little in her now of the talented girl he remembers. Yet the hope of love has stirred; and in relation to his daughter-in-law something between love and flattery soon begins to stir also. His brilliant son has become a television personality, which does not particularly impress his father, who has employed an equal intelligence more dutifully as a director of education. He cannot but speculate why so resourceful and assured a girl should choose to come and stay in Alastair's home, while his son is abroad. No one's motivation is entirely clear. And in the end, even for those who want love most, there is a total inability to risk such commitment. Middleton's achievement is to make us care, painfully.

Sue Miller's novel is also rooted in the concerns of ordinary life but, since it is set in the United States, the expectation of happiness in all the characters is much higher. Puritanism is the only enemy. And so the divorce with which the book opens has been coolly enough undertaken, with no quarrel over custody. There are hints that the parting may be more painful for the child Molly, but the wife is able to conquer her only feelings of jealousy, and willingly arranges her own life around her child's welfare. A good mother, who has never found much pleasure in sex, she soon surprises herself by discovering an exciting lover.

What neither she (nor the reader) predicts, is the way this relationship comes to precipitate a court battle for the custody of the child. I found this novel much more than an attempt to make use of the current obsession with the sexual molestation of children. There is no villainy, no behaviour inexplicable, however outrageous it first appears, and most readers will be overwhelmed with pity for those damaged by well-meaning, permissive assumptions.

In a context where sexuality as a positive good is taken so completely for granted, it is quite difficult to remember how very far this was from being the case as recently as the Fifties. Dee Phillips has caught perfectly the very taste and smell of days when sexual curiosity had a piquancy and danger unknown today; days also, unfortunately, of anxiety, shame, and helplessness for a girl quite ignorant of contraception. The novel succeeds in making us believe in the family hypocrisy which imposes abortion on her, even as the parents' marriage disintegrates; and Dee Phillips is particularly penetrating about the mother's behaviour. "It's not for herself she's objecting. She just has to watch it with Dad all the time." We are not entirely surprised when the poor placatory wife is finally left. But the bitterness is certainly sobering. The old code was no stronger a defence against malice, injustice, and the general propensity human beings seem to have for mutual destruction.

New voice of our old Empire

Peter Ackroyd on a historical novel that goes to the roots of history

AN INSULAR POSSESSION
By Timothy Mo
Chatto & Windus, £9.95

Timothy Mo is the most important living chronicler of his birthplace, Hong Kong; it is perhaps an invidious position, a Virgil singing of arms and plastic, but in the circumstances of that colony's imminent demise a necessary one. His accomplished first novel, *The Monkey King*, depicted Hong Kong as wicked, greedy, and intensely comic; now, in *An Insular Possession*, he has traced the origins of that interesting condition to the Opium Wars of the early Nineteenth Century – in the turbulent wake of which the colony was established.

The novel itself is set in the 1830s, at the time of this little local difficulty; yet it is an aspect of the curious but agreeable obliquity of Mo's narrative that the principal combatants, the English and the Chinese, are consigned to subordinate roles. His two central characters are young Americans, traders so disgusted with the traffic in opium that they set themselves up as the crusading editors of the *Lin Tan Bulletin and River Bee*. Gideon Chase is an incipient Sinologist, while Walter Eastman is no more than a daring entrepreneur; and it is through their respective fortunes that Mo faithfully restores the old life of South China.

So *An Insular Possession* is an historical fiction. There was a time when this classification would have amounted to a term of abuse, since the historical novel was considered (together with romantic fiction and science fantasy) as the last haven of a tired imagination.

It was the era of "Prithees!" and strange objects known as dirks or poniards. But in recent years the importance of the form has been recognized. If "post-modernism" means anything, it is in its disavowal both of conventional realism and self-conscious experimentalism; and this is precisely the area where historical fiction has come into its own. In simple terms, it increases the novelist's options: he can choose his style, and thereby choose his world.

And so it is that in *An Insular Possession* Timothy Mo has constructed a polyphonic narrative. He has created a rich and elaborate narrative voice while at the same time he has managed beautifully to reproduce the idioms and cadences of early Nineteenth-Century prose, whether in the form of newspaper reports or private letters, diary entries or intimate conversations. There are occasional false notes, but the delight he takes in creating these heterogeneous styles is successfully communicated and therefore shared.



He is a great impersonator, in other words, but it is not a question merely of pastiche. It has been said that a novelist should not undertake a work which does not educate either himself or his readers, and *An Insular Possession* is as much an act of creative scholarship as it is of imagination. Timothy Mo has laboured over the past (the research must have been extensive), and he has so lovingly recreated it that it surrounds him with its own mysteries; it is like an echo-chamber, in which his own voice is magnified.

Clearly he decided to write a "big" book at the same time; but if it displays a Victorian scale it also acquires a contemporary significance: *An Insular Possession* has a largeness borrowed from recent fictional epics set in Australia and in India. This is the literary version of Montezuma's revenge, as those born in quondam colonial territories are seized with the desire to explain their own past (and therefore, of course, themselves) in novels which are more exuberant, more extravagant, and often more interesting than the native English products. Timothy Mo is in the same tradition as Carey or Rushdie.

His is a complex imagination, as well, of which mockery and obliquity are the two most important elements. The tone of the narrator is one of humorous irony, but this effect of distance is displayed by the characters themselves who are seen variously drawing or photographing the local territory.

Everyone is sketching or capturing their own especial scene, just as each character is a prisoner of his or her own particular verbal style – whether it is the romantic bravura of colonial conversation, the polysyllabic absurdities of the local newspapers, or the demotic lingo of the native Chinese. They are all attempting to arrest or at least to define a world which persists in changing – and from this springs the comedy as well as the pathos of the book.

This sense of change is in fact evoked by the novel's consistent use of the present tense – apparently very much like Chinese fiction, which is described here as "occurring in an immediate present" so that there is "no sense of recession or distance from the past, or superiority to it." This in turn confirms the speculation of one of the principal characters: "But what is good and what is bad? Can it be just a matter of perspective, with one seeing it quite differently from another?" *An Insular Possession* suggests that this is indeed so, and Timthy Mo has written a novel in which various interpretations of the past can be suggested with equal lucidity. This is an "historical novel" in a deeper sense, then, since it is concerned primarily with the nature of history itself.

Caviare for General Classic

Peter Jones

THE OXFORD HISTORY OF THE CLASSICAL WORLD
Edited by John Boardman, Jasper Griffin, and Oswyn Murray
Oxford, £25

Can this be the hardback bargain of the decade? With nearly 900 large, glossy pages, 10 maps, 16 full-colour pages, over 250 other illustrations and 30 scholarly contributors (all but four from Oxford), this luxurious volume weighs in at almost two-and-a-half kilos, making it, at £10 a kilo, only half the price of smoked salmon. The detailed story spans 800BC to 200AD, and an *Introduction* and *Envoi* take it considerably further. The scope of the book, the refinement of its pedigree, the superb illustrations (with captions which are models of information) and its look and feel proclaim another glittering Book Club triumph, destined to be the toast of School prize-givings all over the country.

Those who find the time to read it may, however, have misgivings. The categories into which classical history is divided (mostly "literature", "history", "art" etc.) are the sort of unimaginative and restrictive stereotypes from which we really ought to be getting away. Sometimes I wonder if individual contributors know what others have said. There is some cross-referencing, but it is fairly spasmodic, and when the chapters on "Hesiod and Myth", "Greek Religion" and "Greek Art" can all discuss myth without making reference to each other, and the chapter on "Drama" can get away with no reference to myth at all, I feel that a little whip-cracking from the editors was needed (although I know – *experto credite* – what a ghastly job they must have had). Still, the impact of the book suffers.

More importantly, the book advertises itself as resolutely populist, being addressed to that fine old trooper, General Reader. But the literary contributors in particular tend to talk *about* authors as if the General were fully conversant with them already. The excellent chapter on Lucretius, where the General is taken through *De Rerum Natura* and helped to admire the view on the way, was surely a better way to proceed. Again, there is no appendix of terms used. Contributors are scrupulous about explaining technicalities *ad loc.*, but if the General's memory lets him down, he will be floundering to relocate definitions. The poor Index does not help. The consequence of all this is that some fine scholarly writing is easily accessible only to Generals who have served time with the Classical Light Infantry.

Finally, Oxford lit-hist. bias shows up rather badly when classical mathematics, science, and medicine, subjects of lasting interest and importance, are given so little room. So much for blame-singing: the praise-singer takes over. Oxford was surely right to give the poor old Romans and Hellenistic Greeks equal space with their more popular Greek predecessors, and to encourage contributors to look forward to the riches of the Classical Tradition. With one excruciating exception (step forward – but no, no, I can't, not again), the scholarship is (as one would expect) impeccable and the writing beautifully judged.

The poet in cloud of smoke

POETRY

Robert Nye

John Ashbery is the Salvador Dali of contemporary verse in English – by which I mean that he is a master draughtsman who has designs on his audience to convince us that he is really a genius. Like Dali, he has no one recognizable or characteristic manner. His work is an anthology of styles.

He writes poems in which nothing is certain, and meaning is consistently withheld. Some of his earlier books (I'm thinking particularly of *The Tennis Court Oath*, published in 1962) consist of verse of such remorseless obscurity that there was even an anecdote current that he wrote it by selecting the seventh line down on the seventh page of every seventh book in his library. If not true, then it still tells a truth. Ashbery is many voices in one man. He's a joker, a trickster, a clown.

What is remarkable about him is that, having said all this, I still have to say that the work in his Selected Poems *(Carcanet, £16.95)* often has a quality of pure mesmerism:

Each servant stamps the reader with a look.
After many years he has been brought nothing.
The servant's smile is the reader's patience.
The servant goes to bed.
The patience rambles on
Musing on the library's lofty holes.

Now I cannot understand this, the unrhymed sestet of a poem provocatively entitled "Sonnet", and after several readings I am convinced that being understood is no part of Ashbery's purpose; yet these lines are by no means uncommon in possessing a power of fascination which keeps drawing the reader back. Instrumental in this process are of course other brief and mostly didactic passages which *can* immediately be understood:

This poem is concerned with language on a very plain level.
Look at it talking to you. You look out a window
Or pretend to fidget. You have it but you don't have it.
You miss it, it misses you. You miss each other.

What it comes down to is this, perhaps: that Ashbery's work intrigues because it concentrates a playfully profound imagination upon the whole problem of meaning and identity; and comes up with no answers, only alternative questions in the form of verse that in a sense *replaces* the joys and anxieties that inspired it. He always seems determined to puzzle out some more-than-personal truth from all the accents and accidents of its saying, with a result that while he has no single "voice" he often rises to an unquestionable authority of *tone*. He will baffle you. But he will haunt you. It's worth working through the bafflement to the ghost, in my opinion.

To return to my original figure: while Ashbery, like Dali, can turn out work that seems merely jewelled and meretricious, his is nevertheless a real and disturbing talent. In the corner of the most stagy Dali picture you will often find a well-drawn boat or wrist-watch. In the corner of Ashbery's most rhetorical and evasive poems you will often find lines as memorable and truthful as any going:

The poem is sad because it wants to be yours, and cannot be.
What's a plain level? It is that and other things.
Bringing a system of them into play. Play?
Well, actually, yes, but I consider play to be
A deeper outside thing, a dreamed role-pattern.
As in the division of grace these long August days...

Asbbery has been compared with Wallace Stevens, hailed even as a "philosophical" thinker. I regard this as a serious misrepresentation of his gifts. An English reader of this most accomplished and eccentric of living and working American poets is more likely to be reminded of Edward Lear: there is a similar manic despair informing Ashbery's jokes and inventions, and the tension between that concern with language on a very plain level, and the hectic refusal to come clean about whatever it is that pricks him into verse makes for some extraordinary effects, the finest of which do not preclude tenderness.

Snob who made a go of life

Woodrow Wyatt

AUGUSTUS HARE
Victorian Gentleman
By Malcolm Barnes
Allen & Unwin, £20

In *The Story of My Life* Augustus Hare repeats a story told him by Lady Winstanley about Samuel Rogers, the poet.

Rogers met Lord Dudley at one of the foreign watering-places, and began in his vain way, "What a terrible thing it is how one's fame pursues one, and that one can never get away from one's own identity! Now I sat by a lady the other night, and she began, 'I feel sure you must be Mr Rogers'" – "And *were* you?" asked Lord Dudley.

Hare collected anecdotes and ghost stories from the rich and socially eminent whom he assiduously head-hunted. He was the very best kind of snob, choosing the most beautiful and most comfortable houses to be invited to and giving excellent value in return for hospitality. He was funny, and had a gift for friendship, and was the centre of many sketching parties attended by fashionable ladies. He was a first-rate water-colourist, and in general had good taste; though why he thought Samuel Wyatt's Herstmonceux Place was ugly is a mystery.

Possibly it was because its building involved the destruction of most of Herstmonceux Castle, to which Hare was romantically attached. His family lived in it for less than 100 years, but he spoke and wrote of it as though they had been there for centuries. He was brought up in its proximity from babyhood by his adoptive mother Maria, sister-in-law of the awful Julius (oddly given four times more space than Augustus in the *D.N.B.*), who held the valuable family living of Herstmonceux.

Maria was the widow of another Hare clergyman, and she believed in breaking the spirit of children to make them acceptable to God. Feeling the task of physical chastisement unsuitable for a lady, she sent frequently for her brother-in-law to administer it to Augustus. He would be told to go upstairs and prepare himself for his uncle's arrival, who would then whip him on his bare buttocks.

Augustus Hare's parents were feckless, extravagant wanderers abroad, mainly in Italy. The birth of Augustus, their fifth child, in 1834 was an unwanted burden. The childless Maria was as eager to adopt him as his parents were to get rid of him. Maria affected a grief for her dead husband which could only be assuaged by self-punishment induced by religious fervour; and the unfortunate Augustus found himself an extension of the self-punishment and the recipient of an upbringing excessively harsh even for the sternest Victorian families.

Yet Maria doted on him and he on her. The compound was a sentimental sado-masochism marking Augustus all his life. Augustus had grand notions of his place in society. With the family money mainly dissipated, he set out to augment his income of £60 a year by writing, preparing travel guides, and sketching. Through these activities he acquired celebrity and an ability to live handsomely on his own resources and those of his admiring friends. When he died in 1903, he left £31,000.

Mr Malcolm Barnes deserves out thanks. He has been responsible for the rediscovery of Augustus Hare and his books, which were best-sellers in the Victorian times, and which his life spanned almost to the dot. Here Mr Barnes gives us more information about Augustus than there is in his autobiography and his strange book, Memorials of a Quiet Life, about his insufferable adoptive mother.

Those who have not sampled the fascination of Augustus Hare would do well to start by reading Mr Barnes's book, which has done us and Augustus a great service.

Augustus would be particularly delighted with the genealogical table showing his common descent with the Queen and the Queen Mother from the eighth Earl of Strathmore.

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Waldheim charge

In a new allegation against Kurt Waldheim, Labour MP Geoffrey Robinson claims that he was allegedly involved in the deaths of two British commando prisoners in the last war. The claim is the subject of an early day motion debate in the Commons. In it, Robinson alleges that Waldheim initialled reports of the German army's interrogation in Salonica of a PoW named Fishwich, who died in a concentration camp, and Sgt John Dryden, who disappeared without trace. Robinson says Waldheim initialled the reports in the German Army Group E's Department in Salonica. Meanwhile in America, extremist groups comprising American Jews of Greek extraction have threatened to kill him if he sets foot there.

● **As the chairman of British Airways seeths over the delay in privatization I hear that senior managment are now calling Heathrow "King's Cross".**

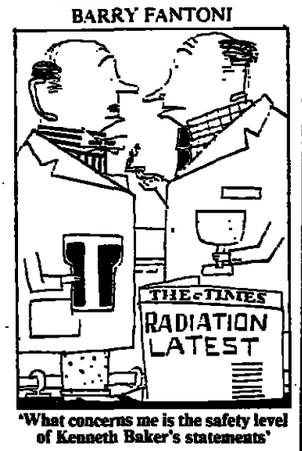
Diorama drama

The charity dedicated to preserving Nash's Diorama in Regent's Park – not far from St John's Lodge – yesterday made its first legal breakthrough against the Crown Commissioners. The Commissioners want to turn the Grade One listed building, built in 1832 to house Louis Daguerre's prototype cinema, into luxury flats and in January won a summary judgement for possession. Yesterday in the High Court the umbrella charity planning to restore the Diorama as a theatre and cinema museum won an appeal, and the case will now go to a full hearing probably next year. Hours after the decision, news came through that the relevant post-GLC quango had turned down the Commissioners' application for planning permission for residential conversion. Two years ago a public inquiry forbade them from turning the Diorama into offices. Fred Reynolds, of the charity, told me: "This is the best news we have had in our campaign to keep the building open to the public."

Brief encounter

Midnight visitors at a remote Little Chef near Doncaster earlier this week could have been forgiven for believing they were witnessing a scene straight out of a Le Carré thriller. Two men, accompanied by bodyguards, emerged from separate limousines to exchange muffled words before swapping vehicles and roaring off in opposite directions. Nothing sinister. They were Norman Fowler, Social Services Secretary, being whisked north from West Derbyshire for the morning press conference at Ryedale, and Kenneth Baker (Environment) heading south from Ryedale to do the same in West Derbyshire.

BARRY FANTONI



'What concerns me is the safety level of Kenneth Baker's statements'

Priorities

Funny folk, our elected representatives: while a mere three MPs have signed early day motions on Chernobyl, 13 have put their names to an EDM congratulating snooker champion Joe Johnson and 38 to another thanking Castleford and Hull Kingston Rovers for providing such splendid entertainment in the Rugby League final.

Brotherly

The only non-Liberal candidate fighting for the Alliance in the 23-seat Southwark and Bermondsey local government elections is SDP candidate Jamie Hughes, brother of local Liberal MP Simon.

Brass tacks

The muck slung in the West Derbyshire by-election campaign was mild compared to that in 1944. Reporting on the fight, between the Duke of Devonshire's son, Lord Hartington (Tory), and local lad Charlie White (Ind), *The Times* wrote: "During recent meetings, Lord Hartington has been asked several times if he can milk a cow. He said yesterday that he was tired of being asked this question from the opposition; but he challenged Alderman White to shovel muck at any farm in West Derbyshire that Alderman White cared to choose. The loser could give £5 to the Red Cross." In those wartime days of petrol rationing, Lord Hartington went electioneering by pony and trap, while his agent, a Major Twyford, rode round on the son of Papyrus, a Derby winner. It didn't work; Charlie White, who hoofed it, emerged victorious.

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Vote—and keep Whitehall out

by David Walker

The man in Whitehall knows best. One of the odder aspects of recent politics has been the conversion of this liberal anti-statist government to the doctrine of civil service infallibility.

A Cabinet which draws its intellectual sustenance from Hayek and Harris (of Highcross) is also an administration of centralizers. Ministers once set on "de-privileging" the permanent secretaries now appear to believe them capable of huge feats of managerial competence.

They believe Treasury officials who claim to know that a council 300 miles from London should be spending such and such a centrally-determined amount. They even think that Whitehall can deliver better health, education and transport services than town and county halls.

The point is not whether criticism of council effectiveness or efficiency is justified. It often is. But where does that unalloyed faith in central bureaucracy come from? It is because (say ministers in private conversation) civil servants are cleverer.

Cleverer they may be, but to hold up Whitehall as the epitome of management skills! How many permanent secretaries have Harvard MBAs; how many had any preparation at all for senior management?

Last week PA, the management consultants, gave the Home Secretary a report which identified "waste" of up to one fifth in the cost of running the prisons. Look at the National Health Service. Financially soundly run? Hardly.

Patently a straight comparison cannot be made between ideal types of central and local administration. But just set side by side with council functions the running of the Metropolitan Police, social security and the Manpower Services Commission. Are they such convincing examples of the efficient management of scarce, tax-generated resources? Are they an advertisement for further centralization?

Waste there certainly is in local authorities. Waste is teaching empty chairs, providing services that locals do not need or want (for example taking elderly people into residential care when they want to remain in the community), taking 100 hours to do a job that could be done in 80, paying over the odds for goods, spending money on administrative overheads rather than front-line services.

But national Diktat will not work. Whitehall targets cannot ensure that the public gets full value from the £1,700 spent each year per household on schools, roads, libraries and the rest. Redeployment of people and building cannot be secured by direction from above. Local factors should determine local services: local geography, the pattern of private sector provision, local enthusiasms . . . all should all be taken into account in deciding, for example, which schools are to close when rolls fall.

In a series of reports, John Banham of the Audit Commission has demonstrated that councils can cut spending without cutting services. Comparisons with the private sector show that in refuse collection and transport the best 25 per cent of councils are fully cost competitive.

Agreed, some councils – Liverpool, Lambeth – are badly managed. But the cause is insufficient local accountability. There are three weaknesses in the way councillors can be forced to tackle management problems more effectively.

First, finance. Banham has argued that government grant should be paid to far fewer councils and so make local market forces (ie local voters) determine the level of spending. If people want above-average levels they should meet the cost themselves.

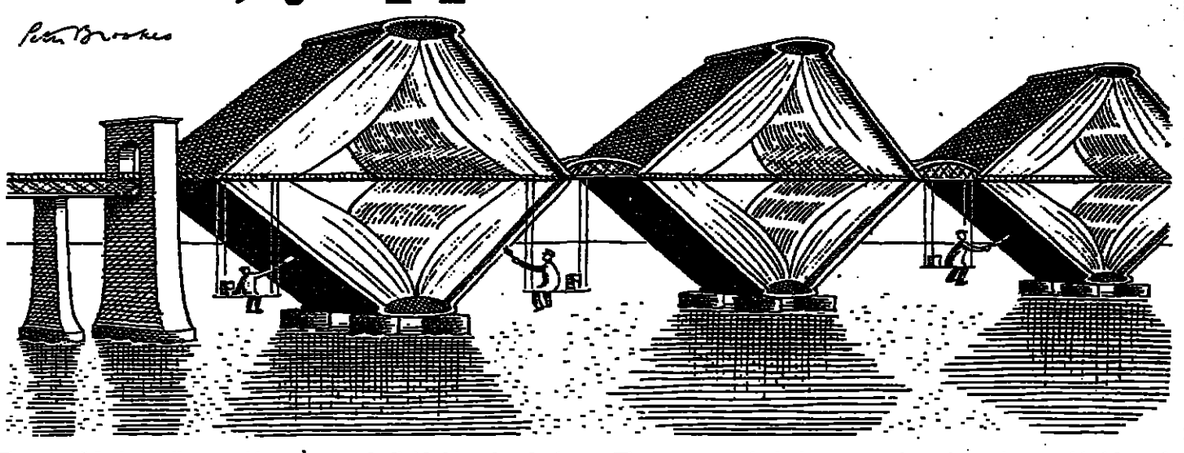
Next, information. At present, council accounts are not available until six to nine months after the end of the financial year. But electors should not be kept in the dark. Every year comprehensive statistical profiles of the council should be made available in every public library. Accounts should present performance yardsticks. Draft budgets should be presented widely before final decisions are taken. The scope for creative accounting needs to be much reduced so that, for example, transferring revenue spending to capital account does not mask a failure to take difficult decisions.

The district auditor should be given greater powers, perhaps issuing reports before, not after, councils take silly or illegal spending decisions.

But there is a last step. It is one which voters need to take today into the polling booth to pass judgement on their councillors. Without that participation local government will be replaced by central administration, to the ultimate disadvantage of us all.

Task eternal: Philip Howard dips into the book of the century

Yetis, yuppies and wimmin



The careful journalist avoids superlatives, which tend to be value judgements. But what the hell? Today the greatest English book this century is finally published, the crown of a work started in 1858, the last word for the present on the Queen's English, dedicated with permission to the Queen, the record of our language and (because language is man's distinctive attribute) our life.

Its title *Se-Z* is boring; but its contents are not. It is the fourth and final volume of *A Supplement to the Oxford English Dictionary* (Oxford, £90). A *se* is an ancient Chinese plucked musical instrument with 25 strings, somewhat similar to the zither. The last word in the great work is *Zyrian*, the Komi tribe and its language from the northern central USSR.

Between them lie the new words and meanings of our century, copiously illustrated by quotations from our best and not-so-good writers, and echoing in language the world earthquake of our times.

The book has deep roots. It started with a paper to the Philological Society in 1857. In 1878 James Murray took on the active preparation of the dictionary, with instructions from the Delegates of the Press to complete it in 10 years. Few editors of large historical dictionaires live to see Z, and Murray died before the final volume appeared in 1928.

An unsatisfactory *Supplement* appeared in 1933. Then the dictionary languished, though the language did not, until 1957, when a young New Zealand don, Robert Burchfield, was appointed to prepare a new *Supplement*. The Delegates and he reckoned that a single volume of about 1,275 pages would do the job, to be completed within seven years. But they had reckoned without the quantum leap that was going on as English became the world language, and the lexical profusion of the new sciences and jargons.

Here we are 29 years later with four volumes, more than 50,000 new words divided into hundreds of thousands of senses, 500,000 citations from printed sources, 6,000 pages: our English recorded. It has been worth waiting for.

Se-Z records and illustrates the new language of our generation, from *sputnik* to *yuppie*, and from *Watergate* to *young fogey*, who was exciting bored ridicule as long ago as 1909. Following the practice introduced by Dr Johnson, the *Supplement* cites the best writers of our century as well as the earliest printed users of a word; so that for example we find Rose Macaulay comparing *Wracs* to the camp-followers of previous centuries: "Now the women who go with armies are not encouraged to be so useful to them, they are called Ats and Wrens and Waafs and Wracs and are kept behind the battle lines and are only a small consolation to the troops."

Wimmin was introduced into English by H. G. Wells and Grumpy out of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* (where I find my first misprint), neither of them an obvious feminist.

The Times is held responsible for the introduction into English of *sensationalization, unsocial hours, situation* in its weasel-word use, as in "the coal situation", *upmarket, yeti*, though we had to wait 14 years for the cross-reference to Abominable Snowman, and, I am ashamed to say in a piece I wrote, *shambolic*.

It is awesome to watch all the old methods of word formation spawning as prolifically as the cod. *Wysiwyg* is an acronym from our brave new Jargon of VDUspeak: What You See Is What You Get. It is odd how difficult it has been to find early printed evidence for common phrases such as *in no uncertain terms* (1958), *to wear the trousers* (1931), and *to fall by the wayside* (not until 1965 after Luke viii 5). The Oxford lexicographers have been unable to track inability to run a whelk stall as a pejorative comment on somebody's competence farther back than to John Burns in 1894.

There are two principal reasons for the unexpected magnitude of the *Supplement*: the systematic treatment of the jargon of every academic discipline from atomic physics to linguistics; and the open-door policy to other Englishes from around the world.

Murray, working from the apex of the British Empire (if his Scriptorium, first at Mill Hill and then in North Oxford, can properly be so described), fended off overseas words until they had become firmly entrenched in British use, treating them like illegal immigrants. His successor, born and educated at Wanganui, New Zealand, has a more liberal and realistic attitude to overseas Englishes and loanwords from foreign languages.

I think Burchfield is also more permissive, as we all are, about demotic language such as *a right Charlie*. "I find all that *cobblers* embarrassing" and "without wishing to *cast nasturtiums*".

He has notoriously recognized some of the oldest and dirtiest words in the English language. You can look for those yourselves, if you must. I do ask myself whether the Wang Corporation knows what wang/whang now means in some circles. There has been no discernible public reaction to the inclusion of the famous four-letter and other sexual words. Homosexual vocabulary in print remains difficult to trace, despite the liberalization of attitudes; it is still a coded argot.

The linguistic climate of the last 30 years, in particular structuralism under its arch-priest Noam Chomsky, has been unfavourable to historical lexicography. Structuralists argue that one must examine language synchronically: the history of words, they say, is theoretically unsound.

One must analyse the grammar of such sentences as *Colourless green ideas sleep furiously*, and ignore the past roots of language. One must distinguish between *langue* and *parole*.

Such an approach would have been inconsistent with Murray's parent volumes. And it was unlikely to appeal to Burchfield, whose early work included transcribing the text of the *Ormulum*, 20,000 lines of versified homilies, written in the late 12th century in the East Midlands by an Augustinian canon called Orm, and of great linguistic interest. Also (although this is frivolous) structuralist grammar is less fun to read than the rich, messy, gossipy history of words.

There has been continual pressure, including anonymous death threats from groups wishing to suppress racial vocabulary or to remove male chauvinism from the language. A famous judgement in the High Court upheld the determination of the *OED* to record unfavourable senses of *Jew*, not because it is anti-semitic, but because its scholarly function is to record English as it is, not as we should like it to be.

There have been running skirmishes over trademarks and names, from Yale locks to a resounding victory in a colossal tug-of-war with Weight Watchers Inc. The language belongs to all of us who use it, and nobody can make a monopoly of a word of it, not even the Oxford lexicographers (though Robert Maxwell found himself prohibited by law from calling one of his publications *The Pergamon Oxford Dictionary of Perfect Spelling*).

Making dictionaries is like painting the Forth Bridge. Since the first volume of the *Supplement* appeared 14 years ago, enough new words have already come into the language to fill another volume. The completion of the *Supplement* and the introduction of computerization and other technologies mean that the *OED*, which nearly foundered after 1933, will carry on recording English continuously for as long as it is spoken. The mighty river of English flows on. And its great historical dictionary navigates with it, issuing its latest but by no means its last report today.

Arabs adrift in a Washington desert

Washington

It is a time of deep despondency for Arab ambassadors here. What influence they had is waning further in the face of falling oil prices, the administration's obsession with Libya and the cumulative acts of terrorism that have besmirched all the Arab states, however innocent.

Against the background of Gadaffi-supported terrorism and anti-American demonstrations in the Arab world, the administration has shown little interest in further thankless diplomacy. There are no plans to revive the moribund US effort to nudge Israel, Jordan and the Palestinian delegations towards talks. A general pessimism and weariness has settled over the officials dealing with the Middle East; the immediate concern is to combat extremism. Wary of again getting burnt after his disastrous Lebanon policy three years ago, George Shultz, the Secretary of State, has effectively left the Arabs to stew in their own juice.

Ironically both President Reagan and Shultz came to office determined to take an even-handed approach in the Middle East and to encourage pro-western, Arab moderates. Both feel let down, humiliated by radicals such as Syria and frustrated by the collapse of the 1982 peace plan and initiatives in Lebanon. As disagreements between Arab leaders grew, US anger over terrorism rose. When Shimon Peres replaced the intransigent Menachem Begin as Israeli prime minister, sympathies veered sharply towards Israel.

Meanwhile the public perception of the Arabs, which improved after President Sadat's Jerusalem trip and the Camp David agreement, has worsened. Arabs are commonly regarded as feckless and unreliable. "Non-violence is foreign to the political culture of the Arabs generally, and of the Palestinians particularly," the publisher of the *New Republic* wrote recently. "It is a failure of the collective imagination for which no one is to blame." A childrens' television cartoon – a crude but effective measure of popular stereotypes – recently portrayed a fat shaikh in league with a devious Russian as two villains cheating at baseball.

Even Saudi Arabia, America's staunchest friend in the Arab world, is now being blamed for the fall in oil prices, which has hit Texas hard. The Saudis, it is being said, are trying to drive US oil producers out of business and thus increase US dependence on imported oil. And on the subject of arms sales to Arab countries, Congress has just voted against a relatively minor deal with Saudi Arabia, even though Israel and its influential lobby group, the America-Israel Public Affairs Council, take a neutral stance.

Of course the influence of the Israel lobby cannot be ignored in American politics. It is well-known that strong-arm tactics have been used to uphold Israel's interest in Congress. Paul Findley, a former congressman targeted by the lobby for being pro-Arab, wrote a book last year on ways that pro-Israeli activists ensured their opponents' defeat. But the Arab world tends to blame its difficulties on "the Jewish lobby", glossing over the cycle of misunderstanding that has contributed to today's mutual mistrust.

A group increasingly caught in the middle are those Americans of Arab descent, numbering between three and four million. Open hostility has increasingly been shown to Arab immigrants, especially those newly arrived. The Arab communities in Michigan and California have reported vandalism and random attacks against them and last year there was a series of bomb attacks – one fatal – on Arab activists.

The National Association of Arab Americans, which campaigns for a more even-handed Middle East policy, has said that one consequence of Gadaffi terrorism is that Arab-Americans are now seen as unpatriotic. Former Senator James Abourezk, chairman of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, recently had a cheque for a Kennedy campaign returned by aides fearful of accepting money from any Arab-sounding source.

State Department Arabists acknowledge that Arab interests are hardly heard now hardly heard. A former member of the America-Israel Public Affairs Council argues that Washington is now so pro-Israel that radical sentiment in the Middle East might be further inflamed. Newspaper writers have suggested that ignorance of the Arab world might lead America into actions which would damage its effectiveness as a mediator.

Most professional Middle East watchers predict that eventually a new US attempt will be made to tackle the fundamental Palestinian grievances. But for now, Libyan terrorism has set the US on another course.

Michael Binyon

Ronald Butt

Can Kinnock do a Wilson?

There is a whiff of 1964 in the air reminiscent of the change in the political climate which heralded the ejection of the Tories 22 years ago by Labour under Harold Wilson. It is only a whiff but John Biffen, with his acknowledgement of Labour's renaissance, has plainly scented it, and his political nose is acute. How real the comparison with 1964 is may be a little clearer after today's by-election results, even though it is the Alliance, and not Labour, which is the challenger. But it may be more instructive to examine the historical parallels than to build psephological castles in the sands of today's results.

Among the many similarities between now and then is that between the two Labour leaders. Both Harold Wilson and Neil Kinnock rose by bidding for the support of the left. Both revelled in anti-capitalist rhetoric; both in their rising years wooed left-wing audiences with anti-American utterances or denunciations of the Pentagon, and Wilson, though not a unilateralist, challenged Gaitskell on the grounds that he should not fight the party conference over unilateralism. As leaders, however, both tried to shift their party away from fundamentalist socialism; after mollifying the left with the bogus undertaking to "de-negotiate" Polaris Wilson kept it, though Kinnock is unlikely to have that sort of success today.

Again, there is similarity in the emergence of both to wider popularity. Tories, remembering Wilson's innuendos during the Bank Rate "leak" case, said the country would never vote for such an unpleasing little man. But Wilson's pipe-puffing homeliness had wide appeal. Today, Kinnock, at first ridiculed as a Welsh windbag, is achieving popularity by a humorous candour of style and fighting the Militants.

But much more striking than the personalities is the similarity between the political and social climate then and now. In the early 1960s there was a huge surge of support for Labour among salaried and professional people, after fundamentalist socialism had apparently been abandoned. University common rooms seemed bursting with people anxious for Labour to win, many of whom later got jobs in Whitehall. There are signs of a similar mood among opinion-formers again, now that Labour has relegated nationalization and the like to the back of the shelf, has its own version of "market" talk and even accepts union ballots and council house sales.

Once again Labour is beginning to appeal to upwardly mobile and progressive people. Once again it is trying to conceal real politics and is parading its friends in the world of entertainment – as in this week's party political broadcast which had no politicians but only Glenda Jackson and other "personalities" (including some actors known more for their roles than themselves) proclaiming their Labour votes on grounds of law and order, the caring services and so on. Wilson, who loved showbiz parties at No 10, must have relished it.

Once again Labour is being made to look appealing, and it is succeeding because the Tories are getting a reputation (deserved or not) for being unfair. In the early 1960s, from the time of the Selwyn Lloyd pay policy (which seemed aimed at such vulnerable groups as the nurses) and health service charges, the idea began to "take hold of a large section of the middle-class that Conservative government was not "fair" government." I wrote those words on September 20, 1963, a year before the Wilson victory.

Today, because of the state of schools and hospitals; because the government's tax remissions at the top have not been matched for people on modest middle-class incomes; because of big City salaries and unemployment, a similar mood is emerging. In the early 1960s a Liberal revival had paved the way for Labour by driving a wedge through the middle-classes, many of whom "have come to believe that Conservatives are interested only in the problems of the man with at least a fairly comfortable income – that they do not understand the worries of people with limited incomes who must rely heavily on state services . . ." Again the words are from September 1963, but are the Tories sure they have no relevance now?

This government has achieved a huge and beneficial transformation of social attitudes by its conquest of inflation, promotion of enterprise, shrinking of the state sector, and encouragement of personal responsibility, especially in industrial relations. But it has not learned how to respond to new problems. And so now it faces enemies on two fronts: the Alliance, capable of winning seats like Ryedale, and Labour, able to capture cities and industrial areas. In this squeeze lies the danger that Labour may just (as in 1964) manage to become the largest parliamentary party.

There are also great differences between the two periods. In 1964, Labour had really got its left in retreat and under control. There was no infiltration of the sort that drove the Social Democrats out. Labour is visibly no longer the party of the 1960s. The hard left is now dangerous, rampant and unconcealed, not least in local government. It could be the Tories' best friend. But as the election draws near the camouflage and the Kinnock charm will thicken. Whether or not the Tory vote splits to Labour's advantage depends on the government.

The old adage holds that elections are more lost by governments than won by oppositions. This government could lose if it cannot find the political imagination to understand why many of its natural supporters begin to look elsewhere, and why admiration for Mrs Thatcher is turning to irritation. The Tories have to shift their thoughts from thories to the way other people are thinking if they are to keep power. They do not have a lot of time.

***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

From cashpoint to flashpoint

Just about everything that could go wrong is going wrong. The American space shuttle blows up. Soviet nuclear plants melt down. The Delta rocket malfunctions and has to be destroyed. Japanese radicals aim rockets at world leaders – and miss. Two million Americans cancel their European holidays. Sylvester Stallone backs out of a visit to France . . .

Correction. Sylvester Stallone backing out of a visit to Europe is good news. But all the rest . . . And now they have this crazy theory that maybe, if a good enough computer operator could get into the system, he could have *caused* the Delta rocket to blow up.

Well, I don't accept that for a moment. For a start, why would a good hacker – I believe that's the word – want to get inside the system and blow up a rocket, when he could have so much more fun altering his bank balance in his favour? To the tune of ten noughts? And for another thing, I don't believe in the conspiracy theory of history. I believe in the accident theory.

At which point I have a confession to make. I have one of these new-fangled bank cards which you have to queue up to use outside a bank in the rain. You put the card in the machine, punch a few numbers and watch the machine eat your card without getting anything back.

The first time this happened I went inside the bank to complain – I only had to wait two days for it to open – and ask for an explanation. They were very prompt and obliging.

"What has happened, sir," they explained, "is that the machine has eaten your card without giving you any money. That's all there is to it."

"And what are you going to do about it?" I demanded.

"We're going to overlook it this once, but don't let it happen again. Next please."

They gave me back the card, which had teeth marks on it, and I left the bank, happening to notice the newspaper placard outside ("American Rocket Disaster") but thinking nothing about it. It took me a week or two to iron out the marks in the card and get the hologram working again, and on my next visit to the bank I just happened to notice the newspaper headline again: "Reagan Decides Not To Bomb Libya After All, But Just To Let The Sixth Fleet Sail Up And Down For a While, That Should Really Scare Them."

Would you believe, I had the same trouble with the bank card again? In some strange way it got taken into the system, chewed up, and ejected inside the bank smelling of spearmint.

"We're beginning to regret giving you this card," the bank manager told me strictly. "Just to keep you out of our hair, we're going to give you lots and lots of money. But try and make it last."

The funny thing was that when I came out of the bank I noticed the newspaper headlines had already changed: "Surprise Decision To Bomb Libya After All: Even Reagan Seems Surprised". And now I realize, looking back, that it was my cash card that had done it. The decision to bomb Libya was taken, not by Ronald Reagan, but by my cash card.

How do I know? Because every time I have used the card since, something terrible has happened. Rockets . . . nuclear disasters . . . cancellation of American holidays – yes, even that. My wife works in a travel agency. She came home one day, shaken, and told me that two million American bookings had been wiped off the computer. Just like that.

"It was almost as if somebody, somewhere, had got inside the system and done it."

I didn't say anything. What could I say? Darling, I went to the bank to get £20 and I've destroyed the British tourist industry? Nobody would believe me.

I only mention it all now because I've run out of cash again. This morning I have to go to the bank and use my card. Heaven knows what's going to happen this time, or which bit of the system the card is going to take over. Give the Tories by-election victories, I shouldn't wonder. Stranger things have happened, though not many.

Just thought I'd warn you.

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A VOTE FOR EDUCATION

Not the least important of today's elections are those for the Inner London Education Authority. They should be of interest to a much larger number of people than those of inner London, and within London to more electors than those with children who are dependent on Ilea schools.

Direct elections for Ilea should be seen as a pilot scheme — a challenge to the public to vote on education separately from any wider political allegiance. Voting in any election usually involves choosing on general grounds a party with particular policies which, other things being equal, the voter would not wish to suppprt. The first Ilea direct elections offer the chance to break free from this constraint. Many ordinary Labour-voting parents, like other citizens, dissent strongly from the educational theories in vogue with the reigning Labour Ilea. If they take the opportunity to vote for education in its own right, they set an example which would make the system of Ilea elections worth extending.

The case against the present Labour Ilea is that it has politicized education by deliberately subordinating educational standards to arelentless attempt to achieve equality. There has been repeated evidence of low educational standards. In 1980, for instance, H.M. Inspectors reported that "many pupils of all abilities achieve less than they are capable of." The reason was not lack of resources, provision of which was "generous, almost to a fault." Instead, the Inspectors blamed poor teaching, teachers who expected too little from their pupils, and the practice of mixed ability teaching (the last, of course, a hallmark of educational egalitarianism.) Since then, the improvement for which the Inspectors called has not materialised. Research by the National Council for Educational Standards, together with Ilea's own data, show that examination results are virtually unchanged at 30 per cent below the national average, despite the fact that at the age of 11, Ilea pupils were up to the national average.

Moreover, where there *is* excellence, Ilea can hardly conceal its hostility. Recent statistical evidence has placed voluntary aided (church) schools at the top of London schools in terms of results. In that context, Ilea voters should mark the words in the May issue of London Labour Briefing by Mr Steven Cowan, Ilea's deputy leader, on the subject of "Political Priorities for the next Ilea." His view is that "progress needs to be made to reduce the proportion of school places under the control of the churches. Their presence and practices are racist and segregationist. Their institutionalised position within the educational system is an anachronism in a city with growing numbers of Muslims and other denominations." Some parents who know the benefits their children receive from this kind of school now have the chance to defend them, without prejudice to their general political opinions.

Others who do not want equal-value indoctrination on homosexuality and against "heterosexism" to which their children are increasingly subject can pronounce a verdict on another of Mr Cowan's dicta. "The Labour group between 1981 and 1986 failed to satisfactorily address disadvantage and discrimination on grounds of Class and Sexual Orientation. Backing away from these two crucial areas would render Ilea's equal opportunities policies tokenistic and liberal, benefitting middle class interest groups only.". At the least, ordinary London voters may feel enlightened by the curious assumption that sexual orientation of the kind referred to is taken to be relevant only to the non-middle classes.

Or again, voters may care to study Ilea's confused but insidious undermining of school sixth forms in favour of tertiary colleges. Ilea claims to be consulting parents of 16-19 year olds in the London boroughs but it is a question how thorough this consultation is. The effect of the policy, however, seems likely to be that if the already scarce teachers of such subjects as Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry go to the Sixth form colleges the secondary schools will be further deprived.

London voters, including Labour voters, at least have much to occupy their minds and inform their votes if they choose to look at the Ilea record. If they prefer education to politicisation and indoctrination, they know what to do about it.

HOME TRUTHS FROM MOSCOW

Rarely can the cliche "too little too late" have been more justly applied. The measures taken by the Kremlin to mitigate the effects of the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl have been both extremely restricted in scope and extremely delayed, and nothing that is undertaken from now on should obscure this fact.

Nonetheless, in the past few days the Soviet authorities have displayed a glimmer of recognition that their initial response to the disaster — to be more precise, their lack of response — was an error, and they have taken small steps to limit the damage.

Officials of the International Atomic Energy Agency have been received in Moscow. A team of American doctors has arrived to treat some of the victims. A press conference has been held at which ministers gave what is now the official version of events at Chernobyl. And the population of the Kiev area has been advised (albeit more than 10 days after the event) to spurn leafy vegetables and long walks in the open air.

All these developments are welcome and could just contribute, in the long term, to an improved relationship between the Soviet Union and the West and to a little more openness within Soviet society. But they need to be seen in perspective.

Soviet information about the accident has been handled on three distinct levels. It is unofficial, quiet diplomacy which has brought the IAEA officials and American doctors to Moscow. They will be privy to information which may never be given wider currency. The Soviet authorities may also be using diplomatic channels to inform governments directly affected by the disaster. It is to be hoped that this is the case, because the information emanating directly from Soviet sources is not only inadequate, but propagandistic to boot.

That also applies to the second level of information about the disaster: that being provided for foreign consumption. Senior Soviet officials travelling abroad, Soviet diplomats and a Moscow press conference have been used to provide details to worried foreign governments.

All have been models of Gorbachov-style bureaucrats: accessible, well-presented and plausible. Their information, alas, has been incomplete, not to say misleading. Nor have they shown the least understanding of the concern aroused outside the Soviet Union by Moscow's failure to report the accident promptly.

How could even adjacent countries expect to be informed before Soviet people had been informed, journalists in Moscow were asked disingenuously this week. How could the Soviet authorities, the riposte should come back, be so dilatory in informing their own people of the immediate and long-term dangers to which they had been exposed?

Which brings us to the highly selective and at times misleading information that has been supplied to the Soviet public including those living in the disaster area. While the flow of information has been increased in recent days, key facts have been omitted: the confusion at the site after the accident; references to mistakes and mistaken judgements on the part of local officials; and problems in the chain of communication that put people at risk. These details have not been vouchsafed to the people who need them most. They have been regaled instead with cheerful pictures of Kiev residents going about their normal business.

Now the Soviet authorities might argue that a surfeit of facts — especially for a public unused to adverse facts — could cause panic. But panic, it seems, has not been avoided.

They might argue that by the time the authorities in Moscow realized the extent of the accident, the immediate damage — to the plant, to the land and to the people — was beyond repair. But those arguments stand only for leaders who inspire no trust — either in their subordinates or in their people. And until they do inspire such trust, there can be little optimism about the long-term effects of Chernobyl on Soviet society and on Moscow's relations with the West.

THE GENERAL SAYS VOTE

With yesterday's elections, the final results of which should be known in a few days, President Ershad of Bangladesh seems poised to accomplish the civilianization of his military regime. But his success in that regard, if success it turns out to be, has been seriously undermined by the violence and widespread abuses which marred polling day. These have overshadowed what seemed until yesterday a shrewd political transformation.

These elections are the first since 1979. The General had planned three previous elections which he had to abandon under threat of boycott. He made sure, therefore, that a fourth boycott would not be feasible.

In the first instance he did this by beginning the electoral process with the local government elections held last May. These were organised on a non-party basis. A year later it was obvious that they had produced village level councils with a vested interest in supporting the political structures that the general was trying to introduce. More importantly, their success in extending patronage worried the country's largest political party, the Awami League, whose workers and local leaders saw their own influence diminish as that of the new council officials has emerged.

When the general announced his decision to move to the next stage of the electoral process and hold parliamentary elections, therefore, he found the Awami League prepared to go along with him. The pressure from its cadres to share the spoils rather than completely lose out was too great for its top leadership to resist this time.

At the same time, General Ershad has effectively lured to his side many of the principal leaders of the other political party, the Bangladesh National Party. So, when the BNP leader, Begum Khaleda Zia, declared a boycott of yesterday's elections, the General knew he had little to fear. The party proved too weak to enforce an effective boycott on its own. Incidentally, it would also have been too depleted to fight an effective election — declaring a boycott was perhaps its only way out.

This means that General Ershad's prospects of securing what he wants out of the election looked bright as polling day dawned. At the same time, of course, he never had any intention of taking unnecessary risks. Bangladesh is still under martial law, although its manifestations have been somewhat reduced. Last week the General also banned all demonstrations against the elections. In the light of yesterday's outrageous scenes at polling stations, with the government's own party reportedly involved, such a ban must now seem somewhat ironic.

If the complete election results do indeed justify the General's confidence, he will proceed next to a presidential election in a couple of months when he will change his uniform for a civilian head of state's clothes. At that point the military dictatorship will have successfully completed the transition to civilian control.

But nothing much else will have changed. After all, Bangladesh is used to military rulers donning mufti after holding elections. The country knows that this is normally the least controversial way for the army to keep a share of political power. But General Ershad's rule will remain controversial if it seems to have been continued by fraud.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Underlying purposes of EEC Bill

From Sir Edward du Cann, MP for Taunton (Conservative)

Sir, Your distinguished correspondents, Messrs Horsfield and Price (May 6), are right to complain that there has been (as yet) little public discussion of the far-reaching proposals contained in the European Community (Amendment) Bill now before Parliament. The Bill proposes far-reaching constitutional changes: the directive powers of the Commission are to be massively enhanced; the national veto is to be reduced in scope; progress towards European political union is to be accelerated. Thus, whether British people approve or disapprove, the establishment of a European super-state is under way.

Eighteen Conservative members of Parliament tabled an amendment to the Bill on its second reading on April 23 drawing attention to the dangers. It was not called. Ten Conservative MPs voted against the Bill and 12 more abstained from the vote but the second reading was carried by 319 votes to 160. So the juggernaut rolls on.

I suggested in a speech that the Bill be referred to a special standing committee to permit the taking of evidence from informed non-parliamentarians and to allow scope for further consideration. This proposal was refused by the Government spokesman.

Your correspondents are also right to assert that almost overnight and largely unnoticed by our fellow citizens, Britain's right to decide many practical matters, and even her own destiny, is being surrendered to the majority vote and the interests of other nations not all of whom share our parliamentary traditions. It is not as if the record of the European Community exactly commands respect in practical matters. Its incompetence in financial management is outstanding.

This is the first year of so-called "strict budgetary control". However, the events of the past few days have shown that the assurances given to British MPs last year when EEC spending limits were raised from 1 to 1.4 per cent of VAT revenue are proving to be worthless.

We were assured that the Commission would not propose budgets to the Ministerial Council which breached the limits, but they have done so. We were assured that ministers would not accept any such budget, but they have done so.

We were assured that there was little likelihood of any supplementary budgets, but a supplementary budget is now said to be inevitable. We were further assured that any "exceptional" overspend would be clawed back, but this assurance has been entirely forgotten.

We have been told repeatedly that the 1.4 rate could not conceivably be increased to 1.6 per cent before 1988, but this is now being considered as a possibility this year.

Ministers in the UK, as your correspondents rightly point out, do a disservice in attempting to conceal the fundamental purposes of the Bill. If it were only an attempt to accelerate cooperation and in particular to establish a Common Market that would be possibly meritorious. It is however more, much more. It is a substantial step towards political integration, common laws and fiscal harmonisation. That is a very different matter.

Yours faithfully,
EDWARD du CANN, President,
Conservative European Reform Group,
House of Commons.
May 7.

From Mr Carlos de Serpa-Pimentel

Sir, With reference to today's letter from Mr Horsfield and Mr Price it might be useful to point out that the preamble to the Treaty of Rome of 1957 aimed "to lay the foundations of an even closer union among the peoples of Europe". Thus, the intention of the current Single European Act would seem to be a logical consequence to that original objective. Since the UK membership of the EEC was endorsed by a national referendum in 1975, it surely cannot be denied that the ultimate aim to create a European political union has been approved by a majority of the British people.

Secondly, the writers' implication that the Act necessitates a loss of UK sovereignty is debatable. While Parliament retains the ultimate power to repeal the European Communities Act 1972 and to withdraw the UK from the EEC, if it so wished, it can be argued that no effective derogation of sovereignty has ever been made to the EEC.

Yours faithfully,
CARLOS de SERPA-PIMENTEL,
Kingston Polytechnic,
School of Law,
Gipsy Hill,
Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey.
May 6.

Making best use of our energy

From the President of the Institute of Energy

Sir, Your leader of May 1 is welcome because it recognises the influence of time scales on energy policies, but in one or two places you appear to miss the point.

You begin by posing a dilemma where none exists: should one have an energy policy, you ask, or should one remain flexible. Why not a policy *to be flexible?* To give an example, during the 1984 coal crisis the generating boards were able to switch to oil and nuclear because their policies had been aimed at diversity of supply (in electricity generation, the varying load demand dictates that a proportion of the inventory is unused most of the time, so diversity of plant types is economically reasonable). Scope for flexibility exists also in other fields.

The central problem is that plant time scales are long, but fuel prices may change quickly. When deciding on a new energy investment one ought to take account of the probable fuel price over the operating life of the installation (whether it is a coal mine or a domestic heating device): difficult enough for the specialist, but quite impossible for the man on the omnibus. It is this incompatibility of time scale that rules out conventional "market preference" in energy matters: we are not choosing wallpaper, there is an objective reality to be judged.

The one thing that we can predict with confidence is that fuel prices will be erratic, so we should choose policies where they matter least, i.e., other things being equal, broadly a preference for options with high capital cost, high energy conservation, low fuel consumption and fuel diversity.

It is not realistic in assessing energy investments to assume constant future fuel prices in real terms; and you, Sir, should not confuse predictions with policies and write as though uttering the one compelled rigidity about the other.

Yours sincerely,
P. C. WARNER, President,
The Institute of Energy,
18 Devonshire Street, W1.
May 2.

Chernobyl disaster

From Mr Stanley C. Bedford

Sir, Apropos the Soviet nuclear disaster, Dr Edward Timms (May 5) quotes ". . . never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for *thee*."

Very apt, but the gravamen of Western criticism is the fact that the Soviet Union did not toll the bell.

Yours faithfully,
S. C. BEDFORD,
Donkey Drive,
Wharf Lane,
Bourne End, Buckinghamshire.
May 5.

Bookshops at bay

From Mr J. R. Anderson

Sir, There is much more to the decline of the small bookshop than appears in Bryan Appleyard's otherwise perceptive article (April 26). This includes:

1. Manipulation of public taste by the large chains with their Book Club subsidiaries which artificially restricts the range of books available.
2. The imposition of minimum order cash limits by some publishers which imposes an unreasonable constraint on the small bookseller who has to either delay orders until a backlog equivalent to the minimum is reached or build up a minimum order by the speculative addition of items for stock.
3. Chaotic conditions at the publishers — e.g., books advertised in advance which are delayed sometimes for several months before publication; ultra short print runs resulting in an order placed on the same day that the book was press received being rejected as "out-of-print"; and, another aspect of the foregoing, premature disposal of stocks by remaindering.

The leisurely days when cash flow and the cost of stockholding were not considered have gone but one wonders whether the pendulum has not swung too far.

Yours faithfully,
J. R. ANDERSON,
4 Vardon Drive,
Wilmslow, Cheshire.
April 26.

Holy writ

From the Dean of Durham

Sir, When I was Dean of Jesus College, Cambridge, I once suggested in all innocence that the traditional Latin grace, then no longer intelligible to the majority of undergraduates, be translated into English. My colleagues' forthright rejection of my proposal owed not a little, I gathered, to the sentiment that what was perhaps tolerable in an ancient and foreign tongue would offend the agnostic conscience if published in a language understanded of the people.

I sometimes wonder whether my own (and others') predisposition to *The Book of Common Prayer* and the Authorised Version of the Bible betrays a similar preference for the gentle aesthetics of religion over the harder questions concerning the reality of the God I worship and the credibility of the gospel I embrace.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BAELZ,
The Deanery,
Durham.
April 22.

Heritage fire risk

From Mr B. J. Ashwell

Sir, The letter (April 28) from the chairman of the British Automatic Sprinkler Association raises a very important point but unfortunately the sprinkler is not always the answer.

I have been professionally involved with two West Country cathedrals over the last 35 years. At both of these the central crossing tower with its wealth of timbers and the "flue" effect of a tower with louvres presents the greatest potential disaster threat to the entire fabric.

Both towers have stone vaults at or close to the four arches which carry the walls, floors, bells and roof above. The weight carried by these arches is very approximately 4,000 tons.

At one of the two cathedrals there is a sprinkler system which operates when there is sufficient heat and/or smoke in the tower. But the sprinklers continue to operate until switched off manually. A fire can therefore start in the night, which the sprinklers put out and, without anyone knowing, (alarm bells tend to ring unheard or disregarded), they would continue to discharge water.

This would be collected in the four corners of the tower *above* the vault. The weight of each pool would be something in excess of 35 tons, which could be sufficient to collapse the vault, a major disaster in itself.

The obvious alternative is a fire extinguishing gas sealed under pressure in containers at each level of the tower with swivelling heat/smoke sensors which would direct a jet of gas at the fire immediately the sensor activates.

Can modern technology do this for us ? If it could there would be the enormous bonus of no "damage by water".

Yours faithfully,
B. J. ASHWELL,
Back Edge,
Stroud, Gloucestershire.
April 29.

Village schools

From Mr Michael Pollard

Sir, As Mr C. J. Bunyan points out (April 28), the Education (School Premises) Regulations Act 1981 poses a threat to village schools which has been gleefully seized upon by education authorities, like his in Wiltshire and mine in Norfolk, opposed to small schools.

However, on its own this threat would be more apparent than real, since (as has been publicly admitted in Norfolk) there is no possibility that schools — even many large ones in the towns — can be brought up to the required standard over the next five years.

A more serious practical hazard is the pressure being brought on education authorities by Her Majesty's Inspectorate to regard village schools as not "educationally viable". This enables authorities to quote "expert opinion" when they wish to rid themselves of their administratively inconvenient small schools.

The fact is that many villages rightly regard their schools as treasured possessions. The consequent parental and community support results in a high level of resourcing, much of which would be lost to the education service if the children were transferred to other schools.

If, therefore, what HMI means by "educational viability" includes the provision of books and equipment it is likely that children who are bussed from their own communities to others for their primary education will be worse off, not better.

Wiltshire parents should take heart, however. In Norfolk, concerted pressure against small school closures, exerted both in individual communities and on a county-wide basis, has already reprieved many threatened schools and is likely to save many more. No view from County Hall is more frightening than the sight of rebels moving along the hedgerows.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL POLLARD,
Orchard House,
Great Cressingham,
Thetford,
Norfolk.

A teacher's worth

From Mrs K. M. Dunabin

Sir, Apart from wondering how poor a poor headmistress is — many people, including grade I teachers, see most heads as rich, or at least comfortably off — may I question the statement made in her letter (April 29) by Mrs J. E. H. Oliver?

Surely her head of chemistry did the assessing of an A-level candidate's examination work at school, and was therefore already being paid, and well paid, for that 1½ hours' work: 70p was surely only meant as a sweetener. Few of us get paid twice over for doing a single job.

KATHLEEN M. DUNABIN,
2 Hinton Cescent,
Appleton,
Warrington, Cheshire.

Alternative prayers

From the Reverend Joseph A. Keller

Sir, *The Book of Common Prayer* may well be ousted by the *Alternative Service Book* in the Anglican Church. Supporters of the BCP will be delighted to know that I sell more copies of the King James version of the Bible than I do of the *Jerusalem Bible*, the *New English Bible* and *Good News* versions combined. In 1985 my best selling book was called *A Jewish Family in Britain*.

This is a Roman Catholic bookshop!

Yours oecumenically,
JOSEPH A. KELLER, Manager,
Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Bookshop,
Cathedral House,
Mount Pleasant,
Liverpool.

How long, O Lord?

From Mr D. P. E. Smart

Sir, The question which Mr David Selman poses in his letter (April 29) has a distressingly simple answer: the duration of an organ voluntary is of practically no importance, as no one will be present for more than the first few bars.

The general custom in this country is for the congregation to leave almost as soon as the organist's fingers have touched the keys.

Yours etc,
D. P. E. SMART,
Magdalene College, Cambridge.

ON THIS DAY

MAY 8 1882

Twenty-four hours after he had arrived in Ireland to take up his appointment as Chief Secretary Lord Frederick Cavendish, together with the Permanent Under-Secretary, Thomas Henry Burke, was murdered by members of a Fenian group called the Invincibles. In 1883 James Carey, a member of the group, turned Queen's evidence and five of his associates were executed. Under a new name he sailed for South Africa but an Invincible, Patrick O'Donnell, had been planted on board. On July 29, 1883, when the ship was off Cape Town, he shot Carey dead.

ASSASSINATION OF LORD F. CAVENDISH AND MR. BURKE

DUBLIN, May 7.

A crime of the most appalling nature was committed last night. The Chief Secretary for Ireland, Lord F. Cavendish, who only yesterday was sworn into ofice, and Mr. Burke, the Under Secretary, were assassinated in Phoenix Park. The facts, so far as they can be ascertained, are these: The Chief Secretary and the Under Secretary were walking in Phoenix Park near the Viceregal-lodge, about 7.30 p.m., after having been engaged up to a late hour in Dublin Castle upon business connected with the release of the suspects and other official matters. Lord F. Cavendish, anxious to acquire as soon as possible an acquaintance with the duties of his new office, had been in the chambers of the Castle all day, and, with Mr. Burke, desired to enjoy a little of the refreshing air of a summer evening. They were unarmed, as they apprehended no danger, especially under what seemed the auspicious inauguration of a policy of conciliation. Suddenly they were set upon by four men, who, armed with knives or daggers, made a deadly onslaught upon them. A boy named Jacob states that, while birdnesting in the park, he saw, about 200 yards from where he was, near the road, a group of men who seemed to be wrestling. He thought they were roughs, and did not pay much attention to them. He then saw two men fall to the ground, and the others, four in number, jump on a car and drive rapidly off towards Chapelizod, which lies in the direction opposite to the city. He cannot give any description of the appearance of the men. A Mr. Maguire and a friend, riding on tricycles, had passed Mr. Burke and Lord F. Cavendish shortly before the murder. They were then on their way along the main road through the park. Returning, the tricyclists found the Chief Secretary lying on the main road in the centre of the carriageway, and Mr. Burke prostrate upon the pathway. Both were in large pools of blood. Mr. Maguire immediately informed the police at Park-gate Station of what he had seen, and the police, proceeding to the scene of the murder, conveyed the bodies to Steevens's Hospital. On examination it was found that Mr. Burke had received several stabs near the region of the heart, and that his throat was cut almost completely across. His clothes were much torn, and his hands bore marks suggestive of a fierce and protracted encounter with his assailants. Lord Frederick had been stabbed several places about the chest; one wound was through the right lung and was very deep. At the time of the occurrences there were numbers of people scattered through the park, and it is a remarkable fact that many persons sitting or walking within a few hundred yards of where the bodies were found heard nothing of the affair.

After the Chief Secretary and Mr. Burke had discharged official duties they proceeded on an outside car to the Phoenix-park-gate, and there, dismissing the driver, walked on together towards the Viceregal-lodge. Before the bodies arrived at the hospital, word had been brought to the hospital that a man had been murdered in the park. The doctors, Dr. Myles and the resident pupil, hurried to the park, and met near the gate the car conveying the two gentlemen. On admission to the hospital, the Chief Secretary was pronounced dead, while there was a gleam of life in the Under Secretary . . .

LATER.

. . . The work of blood must have been done in a couple of minutes, and as if to make it the more shocking, it was committed in full view of the Lord-Lieutenant himself, who was walking in the grounds in front of the Viceregal Lodge along with Colonel Caulfeild and saw a group of men struggling, but attached no importance to it, thinking it was some horseplay or wrestling on the part of some of the humbler classes who frequent the park . . . Colonel Caulfeild, in the meantime, had his attention attracted by a man, who gesticulated and called "Murder!" The Lord-Lieutenant was about to proceed over with him to see what was the matter, but his Excellency was persuaded not to do so lest he might be insulted . . .

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
May 7: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this morning attended a Service of Thanksgiving and Intercession for British Industry and Commerce at St Paul's Cathedral.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the steps of St Paul's by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Allan Davis) and at the West Door by the Dean (the Very Reverend Dr Alan Webster) and Chapter together with the Bishop of London, the Archbishop of Canterbury and representatives of other Churches.

The Archbishop of Canterbury preached the Sermon, and representatives of industry and commerce took part in the Service.

The Marchioness of Abergavenny, Mr Kenneth Scott and Major Hugh Lindsay were in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Corps of Signals, arrived at Royal Air Force Lyneham this afternoon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from West Germany.

Mrs Malcolm Wallace was in attendance.

By command of The Queen, Lieutenant-General Sir John Richards (Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps) called upon Her Excellency Mrs Malineo Tau at 10 Collingham Road, SW5 this morning in order to bid farewell to Her Excellency upon relinquishing her appointment as High Commissioner for the Kingdom of Lesotho in London.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, was represented by Mr Reginald Collin (Director of the Academy) at the Memorial Service for Sir Huw Wheldon (Fellow of the Academy) which was held in Westminster Abbey today.

CLARENCE HOUSE
May 7: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon visited The Queen's Flight at Royal Air Force Benson.

Her Majesty travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Lady Angela Oswald, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain Niall Hall were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 7: The Prince of Wales was represented by Mr Peter Palumbo at the Memorial Service for Sir Huw Wheldon which was held in Westminster Abbey today.

May 7: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Patron of the Dulwich Picture Gallery Appeal, this evening attended a Reception held at the Gallery.

Lady Elizabeth Cavendish was in attendance.

May 7: The Duke of Gloucester, as President of the British Consultants' Bureau, today visited the offices of Ove Arup Partnership at 2 Dean Street and 8 Fitzroy Street, London. In the evening His Royal Highness was present at a Reception and Dinner for the presentation of The Pritzker Architecture Prize at Goldsmiths' Hall, London.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
May 7: The Duchess of Kent, Patron, today attended the Opening Concert of the Newbury Spring Festival at St Nicholas Parish Church, Newbury.

Mrs Alan Henderson was in attendance.

The Duke of Kent, a Trustee, this evening attended a Reception at Australia House for The Duke of Edinburgh's Commonwealth Study Conference.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
May 7: Princess Alexandra, Patron of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, this afternoon opened Redbridge House, the new Training Centre of the Association in the London Borough of Redbridge.

Lady Angela Whiteley was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Sir David Attenborough, 60; Sir James Blyth, 46; Mr Jack Charlton, 51; Professor Maurice Cranston, 66; Miss Heather Harper, 56; Professor Friedrich Hayek, CH, 87; Mr Justice Hoffman, 52; Sir Charles Illingworth, 87; Sir Brian Kellett, 64; Mr Norman Lamont, MP, 44; the Right Rev Graham Leonard, 65; Miss Felicity Lott, 39; Lord Murton of Lindisfarne, 72; Mr Robert S. Pirie, 52; Mr Alastair Service, 53; Mr John Snagge, 82; Mr Justice Waterhouse, 60.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.K. Cayzer and Miss H.C.R. Sykes
The engagement is announced between Nigel Cayzer, of Thriepley House, Lundie, Dundee, second son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Galliers-Pratt, and Henrietta, younger daughter of the late Sir Richard and Lady Sykes, of Sledmere, Driffield, Yorkshire.

Mr J.R. Chisholm and Miss J.E. Bowden
The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs Roderick Chisholm, of Alresford, Hampshire, and Josephine, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Bowden, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Mr M.R. Cockell and Miss K. Libby
The engagement is announced between Merrick, younger son of the late Mr P.C. Cockell and of Mrs H.C. Gaskell, of Gargrave, North Yorkshire, and Karen, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs E.G. Libby, of Kingston, Surrey.

Mr T.P. Everett and Miss P.E. Henderson
The engagement is announced between Timothy Paul, son of Mr and Mrs P.A. Everett, of Chorleywood, Hertfordshire, and Patricia Eileen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.L. Henderson, of Selkirk, Borders, Scotland.

Mr N.C. Garratt and Miss C.M. Jenkins
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Major and Mrs J.R. Garratt, of Rolvenden, Kent, and Catherine, daughter of the late Mr John Garton Jenkins and of Mrs Geraldine Jenkins, of Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Mr R.W. Harvey and Miss P.R. McGill
The engagement is announced between Richard, youngest son of Mrs P.M. Harvey and the late Mr E.R.H. Harvey, of Bath, Avon, and Patricia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P.J. McGill, of Ladywood, Worcestershire.

Mr H.J. Hawksfield and Miss P.J. Hutchison
The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mr and Mrs Peter Hawksfield, of Gussage, All Saints, Dorset, and Philippa (Wiz), elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hutchison, of Westerham, Kent.

Mr R.A. Lazarus and Miss S.K. Horikawa
The engagement is announced between Roger, elder son of Mr and Mrs Norman A. Lazarus, of London, NW6, and Kimi, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Horikawa, of Philadelphia, United States.

Mr D.J.T. Sharman and Miss F.L. Gould
The engagement is announced between David Sharman, Royal Navy, son of Mr and Mrs A.T. Sharman, of Lightwater, Surrey, and Fiona, elder daughter of Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs D.G. Gould, of Naples, Italy.

Mr L. Treadwell and Miss C.S. Roberts
The engagement is announced between Luke, son of Mr C.J. Treadwell, of Midhurst, and Mrs P. Treadwell, of Winchester, and Caroline, daughter of Dr and Mrs J.M. Roberts, of Twyford, near Winchester.

Luncheons

Norwegian Chamber of Commerce
Mr Peter Miller, Chairman of Lloyd's, was the guest of honour at a luncheon held by the Norwegian Chamber of Commerce in London at the Savoy Hotel yesterday. Mr Ole Sig Kverndal, president, presided and the Norwegian Ambassador was among the guests.

City Livery Club
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs, attended a luncheon at the City Livery Club, Sion College, yesterday. Mr Norman Royce, president, presided. The Lord Mayor, Sir John Welch, vice-president, Mr Alderman and Sheriff Christopher Collett, Mr Sheriff Jack Neary, Mr Deputy Bernard Morgan and the Rev Arthur Brown also spoke. Others present included:

Sir Ralph Perring, Sir Lindsay Ring, Sir Murray Fox, Mr S. R. Walker, Mr Deputy Wimburn Horlock and Alderman and Colonel Greville Spratt.

Lord Auckland
Lord Auckland was host at a luncheon held yesterday at the House of Lords for members of the court of the Blacksmiths' Company and their guests. Mr A. W. Pennington, Third Warden, and Mr P. N. G. Rayner, Renter Warden, attended. Viscount Tonypandy, Mrs M. Shepherd and Mr A. Stevens were among the guests.

Dinners

Speaker
The Speaker and Mrs Weatherill gave a dinner yesterday evening in Speaker's House. The guests were:

Mr Andrew Bennett, MP, and Mrs Bennett, Mr David Gilroy Bevan, MP, and Mrs Bevan, Mr Timothy Brinton, MP, and Mrs Brinton, Sir Antony Buck, QC, MP, and Lady Buck, Mr Michael Howard, QC, MP, and Mrs Howard, Mr Michael Knowles, MP, and Mrs Knowles, Mr Wyn Roberts, MP, and Mrs Roberts, Mr Allan Stewart, MP, and Mrs Stewart, Mr John Mark Taylor, MP, and Mrs Taylor, Mr Peter Thurnham, MP, and Mrs Thurnham, Mr John Watson, MP, and Mrs Watson, the Rev Peter and Mrs Price, Mr and Mrs Alan Brooke Turner and Major-General and Mrs Michael Walsh.

Glaziers' Company
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs and their ladies were present at the annual livery dinner of the Glaziers' Company at the Mansion House last night. The immediate past master, Colonel M. H. Seys-Phillips, presided, assisted by the Upper Warden and the Renter Warden. The Lord Mayor, the Renter Warden, Mr David Calcutt, QC, and the Master of the Cutlers' Company also spoke.

British College of Ophthalmic Opticians (Optometrists)
Mr George Miller, President of the British College of Ophthalmic Opticians (Optometrists), presided last night at a dinner at the headquarters of the Honourable Artillery Company, Armoury House, City Road, EC1. The guests included Dame Jill Knight, MP, Sir Richard Meyjes, Master of the Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers, and Mr Ian Hunter.

Ninth International Symposium on Ballistics
The ninth International Ballistics Symposium dinner was held at Beckett House at the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, on April 30, with delegates from over 17 countries in attendance. The guests were Professor F. R. Hartley, Principal and Dean of RMCS, and Mrs Hartley, Councellor V. G. Day, Chairman of the Vale of the White Horse District Council, and Mrs Day. Mr Neill Griffiths of the Royal Armament and Research and Development Establishment presided and Mr J. Blackofen represented the American Defense Preparedness Association.

Newspaper Society
The annual dinner of the Newspaper Society was held last night at Grosvenor House. The President, Mr D R Thomas, accompanied by Mrs Thomas, was in the chair. The Hon Douglas Hurd, MP, and Mrs Hurd were principal guests. Among others present were the Duke of Atholl, Sir Bernard and Lady Audley, Sir Eric and Lady Cheadle and Sir Edward Pickering.

Receptions

Dulwich Picture Gallery
Princess Margaret was present last night at a reception at Dulwich Picture Gallery to mark the success of the gallery's appeal. Dr Basil Greenhill, Mr Peter Bowring and Mr Giles Waterfield were the hosts.

Invalid Children's Aid Association
Mr Donald Chilvers, Chairman of the Invalid Children's Aid Association, and Mrs Chilvers were hosts at a reception last night at 10 St James's Square.

Woolmen's Company

The following have been elected officers of the Woolmen's Company for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr Ivan Hutchinson; Upper Warden, Mr Arthur Hammond and Under Warden, Mr David Ing.

15-year-old leads Jersey chess match

Gary Quillan took the lead in the Jersey International Tournament by winning an exciting game against the Dutch player Van Putten (Our Chess Correspondent writes).

The 15-year-old from Bootle now has 5½ points and is followed by the Norwich international master Robert Bellin, together with another English player A. H. Thompson, both with five points.

RESULTS
Round 6: Quillan 1, Van Putten 0; Konings 0, Thompson 1; Le Blanco 0, Bellin 1; Gourel 0, Reddin 1; Benson 0, Moeller 1; Neve 0, Milnes 1; Burgisser 0, Delanoy 1; Horne 1, Cullip 0; Jackson 1, Waterfield 0; Fulton ½, Soesan ½; Wojciechowski 1, Blow 0; Whitley 0, Morrey 1; Poulton 1, Godfrey 0; Scott ½, Flewitt ½; Plaat ½, Walker ½; Kevin of the Teachers 0, Murray 1; Queree 0, Baccol 1. Capsey had the bye.

Latest wills

Lord Stafford, of Swynnerton Park, Stone, Staffordshire, a governor of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, past president of the Staffordshire branch of the Country Landowners' Association, president of Stafford Rugby Football Club and the Staffordshire Association of Boys' Clubs left estate valued at £7,417,105 net.

Mrs Olive Warriner, of Sabine Way, South Darley, Matlock, Derbyshire, left estate valued at £273,313 net, she left all her real estate to the Forestry Commission.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Brown, Miss Peggy Rosa Durward, of Worthing £356,924
Edwards, Mr Harold John, of Bude £331,335
Groarke, Mr Martin Edward, of Burlsesdon £327,952
Kay, Mrs Beatrice Mary Bargrave, of Porth Navas, Cornwall £318,061
Ker, Mr Johnnie George Skipton, of Bideford £472,690
Morey, Mr Donald Herbert Patrick, of Worthing £348,752

Marriages

Mr M. de la Fargue and Miss R. McGarr
The marriage took place in Pietermaritzburg, Natal, on April 12, 1986, of Mr Michael de la Fargue, eldest son of Patricia and Philip de la Fargue, of Centenary, Zimbabwe, and Miss Rosemary McGarr, of Pietermaritzburg.

Mr S.L. Devlin and Miss C.M. Hedley-Saunders
The marriage took place quietly in the City of London on Thursday, May 1, between Mr Stuart Devlin, son of the late Mr and Mrs Richard Devlin, of Geelong, Australia, and Miss Carole Hedley-Saunders, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Hedley-Saunders, of Balcombe, Sussex.

Mr B.H. Rogerson and Mrs H.J.R. Marsland
The marriage took place quietly at St John the Baptist Church, Widford, Hertfordshire, on April 24, of Mr Barry Hugh Rogerson and Mrs Heather J.R. Marsland, widow of Wing Commander Guy Marsland, RAF.

Mr A.A.H. Tabor and Miss C.G. Magnaghi
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 12, at the Church of San Martino, Portofino, Italy, of Mr Hamish Tabor, son of Mr Anthony Tabor, of The Court, Chetnole, Sherborne, Dorset, and Mrs Anthony Stainton, of Warthill House, Meckle Wartle, Aberdeenshire, and Miss Carolina Giovanna Magnaghi, daughter of Conte Massimiliano Magnaghi, of Lausanne, Switzerland, and Mme Philippe Saint Amand, of Aunerre, France. Don Gianni and Mr Alexander Sherbrooke officiated.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Catriona German Ribon, Alesandra Magnaghi, Charlotte Magnaghi, Anne Saint Amand, Tom Sherbrooke and Fergus Dunnipace. Mr Charles Butter was best man.

A reception was held in the Hotel Splendido, Portofino, and the honeymoon was spent in Venice.

Meeting

Leathersellers' Company
At a court meeting held at Leathersellers' Hall on Wednesday, May 7, 1986, the honorary freedom and livery of the Leathersellers' Company was presented to Colonel and Alderman Sir Ronald Gardner-Thorpe, in recognition of his services to the Bishopsgate Ward, the City of London, and his interest in the company's activities.

OBITUARY

M GASTON DEFFERRE

Mayor of Marseille and reforming socialist



M Gaston Defferre, the veteran French Socialist leader and Mayor of Marseille for the past 33 years, died yesterday after a fall at his home. He was 75.

Defferre was always on the right of the Socialist Party, a domineering patrician figure, social-democrat in his views, outspokenly anti-communist.

Though a wily operator on his home ground at Marseille, in national affairs he was a poor political strategist, and his pugnacious, uncompromising style prevented him from reaching the very top.

But he was an ardent reformer, and will be remembered for two major changes. As Minister for France Overseas in 1956, he was the architect of a law that gave autonomy to the African colonies and paved the way for their independence.

Then, in 1981-82, as President Mitterand's Minister for the Interior, he put in motion the Socialist master-plan for decentralization of some powers from Paris to the regions.

Though he has long been linked with Marseille, Defferre was in fact born near Nîmes, in 1910, into a Protestant bourgeois family of Cévenol stock. He studied at Aix university, then followed in his father's footsteps as a lawyer, and joined the Socialist Party in 1933.

As with many of his generation, it was the Resistance that brought him to the forefront as a leader. He fought bravely as head of the Socialists' "Brutus" *maquis* in Provence, went on missions to London and Algeirs, and was taken on to the committee of the clandestine Socialist Party in occupied France.

The well-armed Communist *maquis* in the hills near Marseille failed at crucial moments to give Brutus the help it needed, and Defferre's life-long dislike of the Communists may well have derived in part from this.

At the Liberation he was briefly mayor of Marseille, but the Communists then won control of the *mairie* for eight years. He moved into national politics where he was soon a prominent figure: from 1945 to 1981 he was almost continuously a deputy for Marseille, and under the Fourth Republic he was five times a Minister, notably in the Overseas post where he showed a far-sighted awareness of the need for France to relinquish her empire.

Contemptuous of the Fourth Republic, he welcomed de Gaulle's return to power in 1958, and warmly supported his policy of giving freedom to Algeria. But he also believed that France needed a strong centre-left alternative to Gaullism, excluding the Communists.

In 1963-4 he tried to build up this coalition, with himself as prospective presidential candidate: but he was foiled by factions within the Socialist Party which never really trusted him. Nonetheless, he retained enough influence to become Leader of the Socialists in the National Assembly in 1967.

On de Gaulle's resignation, in 1969, the Socialists did accept him as their candidate but he fared disastrously, scoring only five per cent of the vote. Somehow he lacked the charisma needed to be a successful national standard-bearer of the Left.

Tact, and the common touch, were not his strongest points; he was too much the autocratic bourgeois to appeal widely to the working-class. When Mitterrand, after 1971, set about rebuilding the ailing Socialist Party, Defferre swallowed his pride and rallied to him, despite his misgivings about his plans for alliance with the Communists. From then on, he remained loyal to the Socialists' new leader, and the two men got on well.

So when the Left finally won power in 1981, Defferre was effectively given the rank of Deputy Prime Minister, with the bizarre title of Minister for the Interior and for Decentralization.

Here his main task was to elaborate and apply the complex plans for shifting some power from central Government to local bodies and notably to new directly-elected regional assemblies. The project fell behind schedule, unsurprisingly; but Defferre made a good start by granting a special semi-autonomous statute to Corsica.

He regarded these reforms as the crowning of his life's work, and though now over 70 he applied himself to them with great energy. He had long been an apostle of decentralization, having suffered over the years from what he saw as the "interfering bureaucracy" of Paris, both at the *mairie* of Marseille and, since 1974, as President of the Provence regional council.

In the major reshuffle of 1984, Defferre was replaced by M Pierre Joxe and he was switched to the planning and regional development portfolio, a first step towards retirement.

He was a supreme example of that very French phenomenon, the long-serving, big-city mayor who rules over his realm like a feudal baron and uses it as a power-base for his national career.

Defferre did much for Marseille in the post-war decades. Inheriting an intensely corrupt city ("France's Chicago"), he managed to clean up its civic affairs, balancing its budget for the first time in 43 years.

He largely solved its housing crisis, built new hospitals, schools and motorways, and in 1977 opened the first Métro outside Paris. For all this he was widely popular, with a strong personal following among many who would not normally vote Socialist.

Marseille was his fief. There his word was law. As well as mayor, he was director and chief shareholder of the leading local daily, *Le Provencal*, which the Socialists had appropriated at the Liberation.

In this ebullient, hedonistic, disorderly city, part Catholic, part Levantine, he stood out as an austere, order-loving Protestant, somewhat puritanical. He actually disliked *pastis*, the ubiquitous local drink, and never touched it. He didn't play *boules*, either. Yet he was accepted, for his sheer strength.

Defferre carried on a long-running feud with the local Communists, who were strong in Marseille. He never allowed them to join his administration, even in the heyday of the Union of the Left.

It is true that after 1981, when the Communists joined the Government, his attitude to them mellowed a little; but he remained sceptical of whether they could ever be tamed into true democrats.

In 1983 he beat off a tough challenge from the Right to retain control of Marseille town hall after a bitter election campaign based on law and order.

Defferre was warmly pro-European and pro-Nato, an upholder of Western liberal values. But he was neither an inspired orator nor a gifted political thinker; less the ideologist than the man of action. He had a sharp tongue, and an authoritarian streak: but his integrity was total.

It was said of Defferre that he was the last public figure in France to defend his honour in a duel; in 1967 he was involved in a sword fight with a Gaullist deputy whom he had insulted. Defferre won by drawing blood first.

Though well-off, he preferred a simple lifestyle, and was bored by the world of smart parties. In this, if in nothing else, he probably had more in common with his first wife, Andrée Aboulker, a keen Communist, than with his two subsequent wives: Marie-Antoinette Swaters, a member of a rich shipping family, and Edmonde Charles-Roux, the novelist and former editor of the French *Vogue*, both of them women of great elegance and sophistication.

His first two marriages ended in divorce; his third wife survives him. He had no children.

DR LORENZO MINIO-PALUELLO

Dr Lorenzo Minio-Paluello, FBA, one of the foremost scholars to leave Italy in the 1940s in disgust at the Fascist régime, died on May 6. He was 78.

Born on September 21, 1907, Minio-Paluello was educated at Padua University, the Sorbonne and the Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Paris. He returned to Padua where he was an assistant librarian at the university from 1929-32.

With the rise of Fascism in his native land, Minio-Paluello left for England. He settled in Oxford, where his excellence as a scholar was quickly recognised and he became a welcome member of Oriel College. In 1948 he was appointed Senior Lecturer in Medieval Philosophy, marking the beginning of a lifelong academic association with the university.

His first published work, after he arrived in England, was *Education in Fascist Italy* (1946). This was followed in later years by editions of Aristotle's *Categoriae* and *De interpretatione*, and of the medieval Latin translation of Plato's *Phaedo*.

He also contributed articles to classical and philosophical journals; but his greatest contribution to scholarship was his edition of the second, and last, volume of *Aristoteles Latinus Codices*, a complete account of the medieval Latin translations of Aristotle which are among the chief authorities for the Aristotelian text.

For this, and for his other works, he was in 1957 elected a Fellow of the British Academy.

Minio, as he was usually called, was highly respected for his learning, and liked for his friendly and helpful bearing.

From 1956 to 1975 he was Reader in Medieval Philosophy, and from 1962 to 1975 Professorial Fellow of Oriel College.

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Hebrews 2: 9

BIRTHS

DONNITHORNE-TAIT. On 5th May at Queen Charlottes, to Alison (nee Harper) and Dewar, a son Hugo, a brother for James and Sophie.

FIELDING - On May 6th 1986 to Angela (nee Stokes) and Stephen, a daughter, Elizabeth Mary Anne.

FULLICK - on 2nd May to Ann (neé Robinson) and Patrick, a son William Patrick Edward.

GOODENDAY - on May 6th near Paris, to Rokaya (neé Jaibhay) and Stephen, a daughter, Roxane.

HALE - on May 6th 1986 at High Wycombe Hospital to Jill (neé Fountaine) and Robin, a son Nicholas Mark.

IRWIN - on May 5th to Jane (neé Montgomery) and Nicolas, a daughter, a sister for Anna and Claudia.

LEWIS - to Julie (neé Everitt) and Lloyd on April 10th 1986 a son - Joseph Cai.

McCALL On 5 May in Melbourne, Australia to Niamh (nee Mulrooney) and Simon a daughter (Fenella Scarlett).

MERULLO - on 2nd May 1986, to Annabel (neé Davies) and Charles, a daughter, a sister for Sam.

O'MAHONY on 2nd May at British Military Hospital, Hong Kong to Jane (neé Holroyd-Tayler) and James. Twin sisters for Finian.

ROSS On April 29th to Judith (nee Myers) and Brian, a son James Terriss George.

SALVESEN - on 5th May, in Edinburgh, to Nicola (née Stein) and Michael, a son, Andrew.

SO on 3rd May 1986 at Middlesex Hospital, London to Barbara (nee Barazetti) and Alex a son, Antony Tsetsing, brother to Alissa.

STONE - on May 5th to Henry and Antonia (neé Rowe) a son, Benjamin James.

TAUNTON FENTON - To Jacqui and Anthony a darling daughter, Emily Margit at the Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead on 19th April, a sister for Robert and Timothy.

VOWLES - On May 1st at St. Thomas' Hospital, to Hilary (neé Taylor) and John, a daughter, Natasha Lucy.

WESTCOTT on 1st May 1986 to Angela (nee Merefield) and Robert a daughter, Katherine Mary and a son, Paul William at Princess Margaret Hospital Windsor. A brother and sister for Mark

MARRIAGES

ELKERTON:FLOAT - On May 3rd 1986, at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, Justin James, son of Mr. And Mrs. James Elkerton, of Mereworth, Kent, to Pamela Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Float, of Bristol.

SALMON : BOLT
The marriage took place recently at the Memorial Chapel, Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, between Captain Andrew Salmon Royal Marines, elder son of Mr G. J. Salmon, of Poolborough and Miss Elizabeth Bolt, youngest daughter of Mr & Mrs Brian Bolt of Plymouth, Devon. The Bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by Miss C. Bolt. Dr John Rinner was best man. A reception was held at the Indian Army Memorial Room and the honeymoon was in Cyprus.

DEATHS

BAIN - on May 5th 1986, after fighting leukaemia for a whole year, Elaine of 69 Burlington Rd, London, SW6, and formerly of Singapore. Beloved wife of Mickey and dearest mother of Fiona, Tiffany and Leonie and only daughter of Reg and Betty Scammell. Funeral All Saints Church at Putney Bridge, Fulham, London, SW6, at 3.00pm, Tuesday 13th May, followed by cremation at Putney Vale. Any donations to 'Royal Marsden Hospital-Leukemia Research Fund', Downs Rd, Sutton, Surrey.

BLACKALLER - On May 3rd 1986 peacefully at his home, Drummond Garnar aged 77 years of Cuckfield, Sussex. Much loved husband of Betty, father of Ian and Laurie. Funeral service at St Marks's Church, Staplefield, Sussex, on Friday May 9th at 2.15pm, followed by cremation at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to Lukemia Research c/o R.A. Brookes & Son, 35 Wheelsfield Rd, Haywards Heath, Sussex. Tel: 454391.

BRINE - On May 3rd at the Plaxtol Nursing Home, Dorothy May Cumberland, daughter of the late Major General and Mrs C.G Britian, loved mother of Unity and Sally, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral private, no flowers please.

BURGASS - Pax Archibold on May 5th. Very much loved by his wife Pamela. Service Car Colston Church, Nottingham, Tuesday 13th May at 11.45am, followed by cremation. Flowers may be sent to Radcliffe & District Funeral Service, 59 Main Road, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham. Tel: 06073 2257.

BUTLER On May 4th at Foxleigh Grove, Holyport, Helen Alexandra Butler late of Pilton, Barnstaple. Beloved widow of Anthony, loving & much loved mother of Valerie & Richard. Funeral Service at Slough Crematorium Monday 12th May at 4 pm. Thanksgiving Service & interment of ashes at St. Peter's, Tawstock, nr Barnstaple on Wednesday 4th June at 3pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Cancer Relief, Nat West Bank, Eton or Lloyds Bank, Barnstaple

COPHAM - on May 5th 1986, Joseph, loving husband of Jo, father of Derek and Valerie, and grandfather of Piers and Suki.

CREED - peacefully at Goring on Thames on 5th May 1986, aged 84 years Margaret, mother of Caroline, Elizabeth and Richard, widow of Sir Thomas Creed K.B.E., M.C., Q.C. Funeral private at her request.

de BRETON on May 3rd at Netherleigh Rolvenden Layne, Cranbrook, Kent. Major Baron Normon de Breton. Dearly loved husband of Helen. Funeral Private.

DROWER peacefully on 3rd May at St. Peter's Hospital, Chertsey. Phyllis Ellen aged 83 years. Funeral Service at Woking Crematorium Tuesday 13th May at 2.00 pm. No flowers by request. Any donations to St. Peter's Hospital, Chertsey. Any enquiries to Woking Funeral Service. (04862) 61754.

FRASER-CASEY Peter, aged 71. Peacefully on 18th April, Ramsey, Isle of Man. Late of McLeods, Calcutta and Unidare, Dublin. Beloved husband of Margaret. 4 Laurys Avenue, Ramsey.

FREEMAN - On May 2nd, peacefully in hospital, Mary (Molly) Brooke Freeman, of Harwell, aged 91 years. Devoted wife of the late Percy Freeman and much loved aunt and great aunt of the Short, Freeman and Godenne families. Requim Mass at the church of The English Martyrs, Didcot on Friday 9th May at 12 o'clock and Memorial Service at St Matthews, Harwell on Saturday 17th May at 4 p.m. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Help The Aged c/o R & H Barker Funeral Directors, 40 Wantage Road, Didcot, Oxford.

HAZEL - On 4th May 1986, suddenly Cynthia, beloved wife of the late Tom Hazel and much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral at St Philips Church, Nutley Lane, Ryegate on Monday 12th May at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Donations for the Acroff Trust may be sent to Stoneman Funeral Service, Doran Court, Redhill, Surrey.

HYAMS - on 4 May at St. Thomas Hospital, London, Greta Mary (Susan) (neé Kennerley) widow of Geoffrey, beloved mother of Jennifer and John, grandmother and great-grand mother. Enquiries to David Slivey & Son, High Wycombe 29193.

KIER, Olaf CBE - suddenly on 3rd May 1986, beloved husband of Benie and father of Berit, Michaela and Thomas. Aged 86 years. Funeral Service on Wednesday 14th May, at 2.30pm at Barkway Parish Church followed by burial. All enquiries to S. Newling & Son, Funeral Directors, Tel: Royston 42376.

LAWRIE - On 25th April 1986 in Spain. JEAN (neé Crawford) dearly beloved wife of Col. W.G. Aitken Lawrie late RE, peacefully after a long and trying illness borne with indomitable courage and a smile. Deeply mourned by her adoring husband, children and grandchildren. Service of Thanksgiving is being arranged. Enquiries to 0428 722 862.

LOCK - on May 2 peacefully after a short illness Frank Ernest, aged 84, of Stoke Abbot, Abbots Wood, Guildford, dear husband of the late Marjorie and father of John.

LOWIS on 6 May Marjorie Isabella of Greenlanes, Forestside aged 93, widow of Frank Currie Lowis mother of David and Suzan.

MACDONOGH 2nd May 1986. Redmond Macdonogh, peacefully after a short illness. Born 24th March 1915, and was known as the Macdonogh. Loved by his widow Wendy, his children, Jeremy, Katherine, Giles, Gareth, Kevin and by his grandchildren. He will be missed by all who knew him. Requiem Mass at the Church of our Most Holy Redeemer and St Thomas More, Cheyne Road, Chelsea at 10.00am Tuesday 13th May 1986. Burial followed at Richmond Cemetery. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to St Stephen's Cardiac Appeal. 'Ch'lo Mi Scordi Di te' - Mozart - K551.

MEASURES - On May 1st 1986 Catherine Mary, after a short illness, beloved mother of Ann and Robert and grandmother of Caroline, Juliet and Jennifer. Funeral Friday May 9th. Service at St Andrews Church, Kimbolton, Huntington, Cambs at 11.30am. Family flowers only. Donations if desired may be sent to Woodgreen Animal Shelter c/o T.L. Cobbold, 54 High St, Hail Weston, St Neots, Huntington, Cambs.

REYNDERS - On 5th May 1986 at his home after a long illness, Dick Christian Reynders, beloved husband of Evelyn, dearest father of Susie and Sally and sister Joan. Funeral service will take place at St Mary's Church, Beckonsfield, on Monday 12th May at 3.15pm. Flowers may be sent to H.C. Grimstead Ltd, Tilbury House, Shepherds Lane, Beckonsfield, Bucks, or donations Mariecurie Memorial Foundation, 28 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8QG.

RIBEAUX - on 5th May 1986, in hospital Tatiane, beloved mother of Peter and grandmother of Natalya, Annette and Michael. Service Russian Church, Ennismore Gardens, SW7, Mon 12th May, 1986, 2.00 p.m. followed by private internment. Flowers can be sent to J.H. Kenyon Ltd., 49 Marloes Rd., W8 6LA.

ROWELL - Newton, Stocksfield. Peacefully at his home, on May 4th Robert, aged 83 years, dearest husband of Nora, father of Nicholas and a loving grandfather. Funeral service at St James Church, Newton, on Thursday May 8th at 3pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please.

STEVENSON On May 1st peacefully Hilda Grace in her 97th year. Widow of W.D. Stevenson, beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral Service at 10.00am Tuesday May 13th at St Mary Magdalene Church, Bexhill-on-Sea. No flowers but donations may be sent to The League of Friends, Bexhill Hospital or Save the Children Fund.

TANCOCK - on 3rd May, suddenly in Hertford, aged 83, Leonard William, husband of Kathleen for over 50 years, formerly Reader in French at University College, London. Greatly loved.

TRAVERS - on 7th May 1986, peacefully at home, Sally. Service and cremation at Golders Green Crematorium on Friday 9th May, at 3.20pm (East Chapel).

TUCK - on May 2nd at home, Little Hallingbury, Dr Ivy Nay, beloved sister of Marjorie, late Consultant Pathologist, St. Margarets, Epping. Funeral Service, Harlow Crematorium, Friday 3.00pm, 9th May.

UPSTONE - On May 6th peacefully and suddenly at Greengarth, Sybil Mary aged 86, a wonderful 'mum' to Francis, Brian and all at Sharrow Bay Hotel. A most loyal and devoted member of the staff for over 25 years. She will always be remembered for her outstanding singing voice and their love of Sharrow to which she gave so much energy and devotion. Donations to Friends of Greengarth, Bridge Lane, Penrith, Cumbria.

VIVIAN- On 7th May Elizabeth beloved wife of the late Arthur Vivian, deeply mourned by her daughter and son-in-law Heather and Nigel Cooke and her grandchildren Richard, Timothy, and Catherine. Cremation at Breakspear, East Chapel, Ruislip, at 12.30pm, on Monday 12th May. Family flowers only and no letters please.

WALTER - on May 6th, after a long illness, borne with great fortitude, Greta, of Mermaid Street, Rye, Sussex. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Cancer Research.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

CAUSTIN - Harold Edwin who died on May 8th 1982. Remembered today and everyday with love, gratitude and pride.

COMPTON SKINNER Nigel Stanley. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held at St. Katharine's Parish Church, Knockholt, Nr Sevenoaks, Kent, on Thursday May 22nd at 12 noon.

CURLE A Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving for the life of Peter Curle, Second Master of The King's School, Worcester, will be held at 11.30am on Saturday, 31st May in Worcester Cathedral.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

COMPTON on May 4th 1986. The funeral will take place on Friday, 9th May at 3 pm at Wotton Church, Nr Dorking, Surrey. Flowers and enquiries please to Sherlock & Sons, Trellis House, Dorking. Tel: 0306 882266

Memorial services

Sir Huw Wheldon
The Prince of Wales was represented by Mr Peter Palumbo and Princess Anne by Mr Reginald Collin at a memorial service for Sir Huw Wheldon held in Westminster Abbey yesterday. The Right Rev Edward Knapp-Fisher, Sub-Dean of Westminster, officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Luff, Precentor and Sacrist. Canon John Oates and the Rev Dr Colin Morris, Head of Religious Broadcasting, BBC, Sir David Attenborough and Sir Paul Wright read the lessons. Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Sir Robin Cooke and Mr Paul Cox gave addresses. Miss Jessye Norman sang "Dido's Lament" by Henry Purcell. The Right Rev Eric Roberts Canan Gwilym Morgan and the Ven C. Witton-Davies were robed and in the Sacrarium. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster attended. Among others present were:

Lady Wheldon (widow), Mr Wynn Wheldon (son), Miss Sian Wheldon and Miss Megan Wheldon (daughters), Mr and Mrs Richard Rees (brother-in-law and sister), Miss Nan Wheldon (sister), Mr and Mrs Aled Vaughan, Mr and Mrs Wynn Rees, Mr Stephan Rees, Mr and Mrs Christopher Davies, Miss Janet Rees, Mr Gruffydd Rees, Mr Sion Wheldon, Mr Rod Waldo-Lewis, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Clarke, Mrs Ann Paul-Huhne, Dr Ute Uhde, Mr Christopher Line, Mr Mark Sproston.

The Swedish Ambassador, Lord Elwyn-Jones, CH, Lord Buxton of Alsa, Lord Hill of Luton, Lord Bernstein, Lady Redcliffe-Maud, Lord and Lady Maclean, Lord Greenhill of Harrow, Lord and Lady Lloyd of Hampstead, QC, Lord and Lady Edmund-Davies, Lord Kenyon, Lord and Lady Chalfont, Lord and Lady Swann, Baroness White, Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, CH, Lady Plowden, Lord Flowers (vice-chancellor, London University) with Mr Peter Holwell (principal); Baroness Birk, Lord Croham, Lord Dainton, Lord Hirshfield, Lord and Lady MacGregor of Durris, Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede, Lord Rayne, Lord Roll of Ipsden, Baroness Sear, Lord Weinstock, Lord Heycock (Wales University) with Dr W Emrys Evans; Mr Francis Pym, MP, Mrs Shirley Williams, the Hon Mark Bonham-Carter, Sir John and Lady Ackroyd, Sir Roger Cary.

Sir John Sparrow (Vice-Chairman of Court of Governors, London School of Economics and Political Science) with Dr I G Patel (director), Professor R A Pinker and Mrs W Weinberg (president, American Friends of LSE); Mr Justice Mars-Jones (president, University College of North Wales) with Professor M Wynn Humphrey-Davies and Mr G R Thomas; Sir Ian and Lady Trethowan, Sir Geraint Evans, Sir Robert and Lady Lusty, Sir Edward Pickering, Sir Talbot Duckmanton, Sir Denis and Lady Forman, Sir Geoffrey Cox, Lady Tooley (Royal Opera House, Covent Garden), General Sir Kenneth Darling (Airborne Forces), Sir Kenneth Berrill, Sir Hugh Casson, CH, and Lady Casson, Sir Kenneth Bradshaw, Air Chief Marshal Sir Kenneth Cross, Sir Stewart Crawford, Sir Richard and Lady Dobson, Dame Mary Green, Vice Admiral Sir Ian and Lady Hogg, Sir John Plumb, Sir Michael and Lady Stewart, Sir Roy Shaw, Sir James and Lady Redmond, Dame Mary Smieton, Sir Georg and Lady Solti, Brigadier Sir Edgar Williams, Lady (Charles) Curran, Lady (Paul) Bryan, the Mayor and Mayoress of Richmond upon Thames.

Mr Stuart Young (chairman, the Board of Governors, BBC) with Sir William Rees-Mogg (vice-chairman), Mr Bill Cotton, Mr Brian Wenham and Mr Alan Protheroe, Brigadier J Drummond (Royal Ulster Rifles Association), Colonel W L R Benyon (Royal Welch Fusiliers), Mr A A Butcher (Garrick Club), Mr L Evershed-Martin (Chichester Festival Theatre Trust), Mr S W Bonarjee (Sandford St Martin (Church of England) Trust), Mr M Reinhardt (Chatto, Virago, Bodley Head and Jonathan Cape) and Mrs Reinhardt, Mr Colin Young (National Film and Television School), Miss Ansel Harris (Oxfam), Mr V Harrop (National Arts Day), Mr Graham Benson (BAFTA), Mr Antony Barrier (Monmouth Films) and Mrs Barrier, Mr Stanley Oxley (Electricity Council), Mr Peter Marshall (VISNEWS), Mr T A Owen (Welsh Arts Council), Mr Anthony Smith (British Film Institute), Mr John Howkins (International Institute of Communications), the Rev David Bishop ("Art in Churches"), Mr Alan Sleath (Royal Academy of Dramatic Art) and Mrs Sleath, Councillor Mrs Rachel Dickson (chairman, Richmond Parish Lands Charity), Mrs P Libby (Friends of the Royal Academy), Mr D Chesterman (British Council for Prevention of Blindness), Dr John Hayes (National Portrait Gallery), Professor V H Heywood (representing the Board of Kew Gardens Trustees) and Mrs Heywood, Mr W W Slack (Middlesex Hospital Medical School), Mr J Grist (Services Sound and Vision Corporation), Mr O Quentin (West Kent-Cornish Association), Mr D E P Jenkins (Gresham College), Mr Jocelyn Stevens (Royal College of Art), Mr M Dodderidge (Mid-Border Community Arts Association), Mr P R Williams (Owyeddigion Society), Mr G Oakley (Royal Surrey Golf Club), Mr A R Jay, Mr J V Rewse-Davies, Miss Wylma Wayne, Mr and Mrs Huw Thomas.

Mr Kingsley Amis, Mr Michael Barratt, Mr Raymond Baxter, Mr and Mrs Kingman Brewster, Mr Andrew Cruickshank, Dr and Mrs D Abse, Mr and Mrs Marius Goring, Professor Roy Fuller, Mr Russell Harty, Brigadier M N S McCord, Miss Mary Malcolm, Mr John Profumo, Miss Jennifer Pinney, Mr and Mrs Frank Muir, Mr and Mrs Derek Nimmo, Mr and Mrs Robert Robinson, Mr Steve Race, Mr and Mrs Sheridan Russell, Mrs M C Whiting, Mr and Mrs C Wintour, Mr Richard Cawston, Mr Wynford Vaughan-Thomas, Mr Desmond Wilcox and Miss Esther Rantzen, Mr Ludovic Kennedy, Mr Alistair Cooke, Mr Melvyn Bragg, Mr Alan Whicker, Miss Margaret Douglas, Mr Cliff Michelmore, Mr Michael Grade, Mr Cliff Morgan, Mr and Mrs Peter Dimmock, Mr and Mrs David Dimbleby and Mr Jeremy Isaacs.

Sir John Burgh, Chairman of the Court of Governors of the London School of Economics and Political Science, regrets he was unable to attend the memorial service for Sir Huw Wheldon yesterday due to absence abroad.

Sir Eric St Johnston
The Secretary of State for the Home Department was represented by Sir Lawrence Byford, HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary, who also gave an address at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir Eric St Johnston held yesterday at St James's, Piccadilly. The Rev Donald Reeves officiated, assisted by the Rev M.D. Whitehorn and Colonel John Baron, an Endowment Trustee of Bromsgrove School, read the lesson. Among those present were:

Lady St Johnston (widow), Mr T A St Johnston (son), Mr and Mrs M D Berger and Mr and Mrs M H Fowler (sons-in-law and daughters), Mr A H Berger (grandson), Mr and Mrs R Cannon (brother-in-law and sister), Mr and Mrs M Cannon, Mr and Mrs C Cannon, Mr and Mrs R Burwood-Taylor, Mr B H Burwood-Taylor, Mrs J St Johnston, Mrs C St Johnston, Mr J St Johnston, Mr R St Johnston, Lieutenant-Colonel I St Johnston, Miss R St Johnston.

Lady Lambton, Lord Mancroft, Lord Boardman, Lord Grey of Naunton, Lord Burnham (chairman, Sail Training Association) with Mr B Stewart (deputy chairman) and Lady Burnham; Lady Montagu of Beaulieu, Lord Taylor of Blackburn (representing the House of Lords), Mr Roy Jenkins, MP, the Hon Mrs James Pugh, the Hon Peter Brooke, MP (representing the House of Commons), the Hon Hugh and Mrs Lawson, Sir David and Lady Hill-Wood.

Philomena Lady de Hoghton, Sir John Chadwick, Sir Richard Young, Lady Stansfield, Sir Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, Lady (Ernest) Martin, Sir Alexander Glen, Air Marshal Sir Patrick Dunn, Rear-Admiral Sir David Haslam, Sir Philip Woodfield, Sir James Crane.

Sir Kenneth Newman (Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis) with Mr Peter Imbert, Mr John Dellow, Mr Hugh Annesley, Mr G D McLean, and other members of the Metropolitan Police; Chief Constables of the counties, Mrs John Baron, Mrs M D Whitehorn, Mrs Rodney Fitch.

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THE ARTS

Television

Jarring parallels

"That was a rotten way to run a revolution", George V said of the General Strike. "I could have done it better myself." In commemorating its sixtieth anniversary, he might also have written a better musical. Devised by David Benedictus, and filmed at the Old Vic, *What a Way to Run a Revolution!* (Channel 4) was a two-hour extravaganza that seemed to have a bemused idea of where it was going.

Drawing his material from *Hansard* and "other contemporary sources", Benedictus created obvious, often jarring parallels between then and now, but he never decided whether in dramatizing the miners' strike his model should be Noël Coward, Nell Dunn or Tim Rice. In his indecision, the strike went by the board.

Set in the House of Commons, No 10 and the salon of a very unconfident hostess called Maisie, the musical was forever undermining the power it had created by slipping into crude, raucous lyrics more appropriate to *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Despite the silly things that politicians say, I have doubts that *Hansard* was the source for Sir William Joynson-Hicks's line "I am the cosmic commander" or Churchill's boast that he would be as famous as the white cliffs of Dover.

There were some good performances, from Gary Raymond as the brooding, ubiquitous miner, Stephen Hartford as Stanley Baldwin and Gordon Gostelow as the Speaker. At the end, though, I was prompted to think not of politics or poverty but the message George V made to his band-leader when the Grenadiers played Richard Strauss's *Elektra*: "His Majesty does not know what the band has just played, but it is *never* to be played again".

The 1926 strike was responsible for the senior member of the Coglan family ending up in Hastings. The Coglans formed the nucleus of *Forever England* (BBC2), Beryl Bainbridge's first of six programmes examining the north-south divide. In stomping out on her own, having previously followed in J.B. Priestley's footsteps, the results were slightly unsteady.

The family — an uncurious lot of fishermen and builders — was confusingly presented; nor did they have anything illuminating to say about our divided land. "I don't really know very much about the Northerners", said one old girl. Bainbridge's desire to see every pebble as a precious stone resulted in a gallant attempt to discover echoes of the Empire rather than the bingo hall.

What she found in Hastings was a confirmation of good old British insularity. But it was beautifully filmed, and no one else has the power of reducing people to their most ordinary and fallible while at the same time elegizing them.

Nicholas Shakespeare

Theatre

Eccentricity in monotony

Troilus and Cressida
Barbican

When actors complain about the unfair power of the director-designer alliance, it is productions like this collaboration between Howard Davies and Ralph Koltai that they have in mind. The play has been advanced to the period of the Crimean War and set inside a requisitioned mansion whose gutted hall and staircase supply the environment for every scene from Helen's boudoir to the battlefield.

On first view at Stratford last June, the confident novelty of this image went a long way to overriding objections. Second time round, its main success lies in the comedy of anachronistic detail, as where Cressida watches the parade go by through binoculars, or the Achilles-Hector handclasp is immortalized with a flash photograph.

Of the set itself, though, its main effect is to crush every scene into a deadening reiteration of the destructive futility of war. This is paralleled in performance by the sense that Greeks and Trojans alike are sickened by the conflict but can find no way of admitting this, much less of bringing the war to an end.

Cressida (Juliet Stevenson) and Helen (Lindsay Duncan) supply diagrammatic evidence of the plight of women in the equation of "wars and lechery". A goddess on the battlefield, Helen in person is presented as a resplendent but terrified whore, hauled about by a monocled Paris (Sean Baker) and attended by a gang of carousing heavies who suspend Pandarus upside down from a balcony and remove his trousers when he visits her. In Cressida we see what turned Helen into the doomed figure she has become: a resourcefully guarded girl whose defences are brutally penetrated when once she falls in amongst the Greeks, when she undergoes the equivalent of a gang-bang.

The intention is clear to see, but it is often achieved by perverse readings of the lines (particularly in the case of Cressida). The real objection is that the production yields a monotonous sameness in both camps while offering eccentrically detached individual performances — few of which (excepting Anton Lesser's Troilus) have undergone any development since the show first appeared.

You get the point that Pandarus and Thersites occupy the roles of clown civilians, observing the war from the sidelines. What this means is that they come on and do their routines like speciality acts. Alun Armstrong's Thersites, a greasy Geordie in pebble-thick glasses, has great fun mimicking Ajax in a sancepan helmet which he then cannot get off. Clive Merrison, clad in white suit and Panama hat, takes Pandarus through a series of wild transformations from Dr Miracle to a hard-spectacled apparition of death, but without much trace of his given role in the plot.

Some episodes still work extremely well, notably the Ajax sub-plot, conducted by Peter Jeffrey's headmasterly Ulysses in a restrained comic style remote from the rest of the show. In the one piece of major recasting, Clive Mantle plays Achilles as a hulking lachrymose lout seemingly even dimmer than Ajax.

Irving Wardle

Donald Cooper



Clive Merrison's hard-spectacled apparition of death

Opera

La Fille du régiment
Opéra-Comique, Paris

It has been suggested that June Anderson, heard to powerful effect as Semiramide at Covent Garden a fortnight ago, has been busy staking out the old Joan Sutherland territory. If so, then she has put several more poles in the ground with *La Fille du régiment* at the Opéra-Comique. Marie, the regimental daughter in question, was the role Sutherland brought back to Covent Garden after a long sojourn in oblivion just twenty years ago with Pavarotti by her side. Miss Anderson has with her in Paris an even greater master of bel canto, Alfredo Kraus. Together they deliver as dazzling a display of vocal pyrotechnics as 1986 is likely to provide.

Donizetti's jolly opera was written for the old Opéra-Comique in 1840, but with a thousand performances notched up it fell out of fashion after the First World War. There was a revival in 1979, but everyone seems happy to forget about that.

The plot may be military, but the sentiments are strictly Georgette Heyer. Marie, found abandoned as a baby on the battlefield with no more than a note pinned on her, is brought up as the mascot of the glorious 21st Grenadiers. Her mother, the haughty Marquise of Birkenfeld, comes across her but claims her as no more than niece and hauls her off to the family château to learn non-military manners. Inevitably all comes out well in the end and Marie goes off with her lover Tonio, who has enrolled in the glorious 21st with a view more to marrying Marie than a major military career. Once *Fille* was seen as a morale-boosting work — the first act is set in the Tyrol while the French troops were in occupation — and Lily Pons was in the habit of adding the "Marseillaise" to the finale in times of national stress. But such days have long since gone.

At the Opéra-Comique Bruno Stefano chooses instead a room in a military museum, the one of course devoted to the glorious 21st. There, somewhat implausibly, Marie is dusting the showcases when she falls into a reverie featuring her gallant Tonio. And the opera begins. After this specious start the production improves swiftly, helped by some smart costumes by Bernard Arnould. Stefano is not out for raucous laughter — blessed relief — but gentle smiles, and from the start it is clear that the main task is to provide a showcase of a different kind: one for two brilliant voices. Sensibly, he opts for a type of *musée fantasque* where the soldiers all come to life and turn out to be excellently drilled, as indeed they should be in such an opera.

After singing a series of ladies who are either deranged (Lucia, Elvira) or wicked (Semiramide) June Anderson displays open good humour as Marie. She may at times sound just like Sutherland, especially in the secure perfection of the upper register. She even looks like Sutherland in the part — see the picture above. But she indulges, if memory serves, in less thigh-thwacking. She may be *vivandière* as well as mascot to the 21st, where every man is a father and every man a potential husband — no marrying outside the regiment! But she is not so much the Amazon that the love of Tonio the Tyrolese becomes incredible.

The start of Act II, where Marie has to learn courtly manners but instead breaks into the rousing Rataplan of the first act, is a joy. But Marie is basically an excuse for the prima donna to display all her prowess and — something which can be overlooked — to spur on the tenor to display all his. Donizetti cunningly at the end of Act I and again in the middle of Act II juxtaposes tenor and soprano arias.

Alfredo Kraus and June Anderson operate on the "anything you can sing I can sing higher" basis. And, helped by a theatre notably smaller than those they normally perform in (the Comique holds 1,400), they go very high indeed. Kraus, in a fetching pair of fawn Tyrolean pants, showed full relish for an unaccustomed comic role and flashed white teeth and high Cs alternately at a delighted audience. His prolonged absences from Covent Garden should be a source of concern to the board of the Royal Opera House.

Fille is basically a two-character opera. But Michel Trempont's roly-poly Sulpice, the sergeant who saved the infant Marie, oozes *bonhomie* and Helia T'Hezan (once Glyndebourne's Charlotte in *Werther*) plays the Marquise de Birkenfeld as though she were auditioning for another lady of noble rank expert in men and matters military, the Grand Duchess of Gerolstein.

The orchestral score is on the thin side, but Bruno Campanella makes all he can of it. Paris is after the two stars and the performances in which they are appearing are going to become a very hot ticket indeed.

John Higgins

● *La Fille du régiment* continues until May 20, with Alida Ferrarini and Vincenzo la Scola alternating with Anderson and Kraus.



June Anderson, a latter-day Sutherland to the life

Concert

LSO/Bernstein
Barbican/Radio 3

With Bernstein himself on the podium (and not seldom a couple of inches above it) to conduct three of his biggest and bravest concert works, with the Queen and Prince Philip doing a rare honour to a living composer, and with tickets priced at up to £100, this was obviously intended to be the big one. And so it turned out: the other evenings in the Barbican's Bernstein Festival begin to seem like normal concerts. But, though a cynic might argue that Bernstein is too much the showman not to deliver the goods, the truth is that these three works, and these three performances, took us progressively to the heart, and also to the mind, of the Bernstein problem.

First was *Chichester Psalms*, which may not be easy to play or sing, but which presents few difficulties of understanding. Aled Jones used his extraordinary technique to extend the treble solo of the middle movement in long phrases, and his control was more than compensation for the lack of precarious ethereality in his singing: to project at once youth and expertness is his great strength, and it was well employed. He also sounded much better in this hall than did the London Symphony Chorus and the LSO, who found no way to make a real pianissimo, and sounded thudding and undisciplined in the first movement's choric dance.

Then Gidon Kremer joined the orchestra for the Serenade. Here again the sound was unfortunate, and possibly might have been improved if Bernstein had used something less than full symphonic strings; though then the prominence of the percussion would no doubt have been still greater. One listened, however, as little as possible to the accompaniment, marred by slurred playing from the violins in the faster figuration and by intonation problems in the orchestral solos. What mattered was the outstandingly accomplished, vital and intelligent solo performance from Kremer. I had no idea there was so much in this music.

Perhaps Bernstein was surprised too, though there seemed to be recognition in his appreciative smiles at what Kremer was up to. The tone was set in the opening high melody, which was at once a pure achievement and a cause for anxiety, a song of compelled beauty; it was a very persuasive and suggestive way in which to play Bernstein. But no less remarkable was Kremer's fierce virtuosity in the quick music, his range of response in the adagios and his willingness to boogie-woogie in the finale, even though the earlier parts of his performance had indicated the value of an east European sensibility in Bernstein.

The Second Symphony had one thinking rather of an east European colleague, Shostakovich, and about whether Bernstein too might not be the victim of a misfit between private and public expectations. On the face of it, with its Auden programme, the work is a study of Modern Man, but the questioning that goes on in the music, most notably through its technique of developing variation, seems to be inwardly directed, and it was good to be so quietly and beautifully reminded of that by the piano soloist, Krystian Zimerman. He also gave an excellently fleet, nightmarish scherzo that dances on the edge of *West Side Story*. Bernstein meanwhile led a proud and powerful performance, towards a close that yet left the questions open about that other Bernstein who once imagined it.

Paul Griffiths

● The whole concert will be shown on BBC2 on Saturday.

The Barber of Seville
New Theatre, Cardiff

Possibly there is an intriguing production of *The Barber of Seville* to be done which places the opera firmly in a Parisian boulevard-theatre context, making explicit the historical links between Rossini's characters and the archetypes of the *commedia dell'arte*. For a few minutes Giles Havergal's new staging for WNO seems to aspire to such heights. Russell Craig's bold and inventive designs certainly deserve better filling. The set is a town square dominated by a three-tiered wooden platform, each level festooned with the faded drapes and battered props of a travelling show. On this the players, gaudily costumed and over-powdered like pantomime dames, perform the piece to a few onlookers.

This promising concept is then pursued less than half-heartedly. Havergal clutters every aria and ensemble with irrelevant business and spurious gags: a mysterious hand appearing from behind a curtain to tune Figaro's guitar or two small boys prancing around him during "Largo al factotum". Most bizarre of all is the attempt in the last trio to suggest that Rosina would be quite interested in fostering a *ménage a trois* with Figaro and the Count.

That the audience found much to amuse them can, I think, be attributed to Robert David MacDonald's new English translation, anachronistic, unsubtle and unfaithful though it may be. It allows Donald Adams to turn Bartolo into a crusty old rogue straight out of D'Oyly Carte, yet which towered so far above the rest of the cast that it was beyond reproach. Della Jones, as Rosina, also showed something of her usual quality later on, when her neat coloratura and incisive enunciation matched her pert stage presence.

Peter Bronder's foppish Almaviva hit some good early top notes, but he faded both vocally and as a personality. Gwion Thomas's Figaro cut an attractively youthful figure, and the pleasant baritone timbre has potential. However he, too, lacked dramatic weight.

Work in the pit was patchy. Such an experienced Rossinian as Henry Lewis should have concentrated on maintaining better rapport with his singers, instead of pressing for a heavy, ungraceful orchestral sound that was simply too loud for the voices in many places.

Richard Morrison

Jazz

Chico Freeman
Ronnie Scott's

The star of the Chico Freeman Quartet is not really its leader, a young saxophonist from Chicago praised for his willingness to blend past with present, but its pianist, Kenny Barron, a name long taken for granted among the ranks of jazz's foot-soldiers.

Barron will author no revolutions, but each solo is full of genuine substance, every phrase betraying impeccable taste, utterly devoid of haste and clutter even when the heat around him (stoked by a fierce drummer, Freddie Waits) is at its most intense.

Gifted though he is, Freeman's playing lacks coherence: he seems to find it hard to concentrate. Wildly inappropriate gargoyles jutted from the angles of "Sentimental Mood"; an over-extended Latin piece found him doodling with a synthesizer; a kind of musical gravity leads him to Coltrane-by-numbers crescendos. Once upon a time, six months with Thelonious Monk would have knocked him into shape.

Opposite Freeman, a pair of white gloves are all that remain of Neasden's Queen of Soul as Mari Wilson tackles "Everything Happens to Me" and "Hi-Fly", transforming herself from a likeable pop star into a likeable semi-jazz singer.

Richard Williams

Recital

Horne/Katz
Covent Garden

Not every diva will bless rather than curse him who sneezes loudly during her performance. But the cry of "gesundheit!" with which Marilyn Horne interrupted her witty spoken introduction to a group of songs by Rossini epitomized the warmth and audacity of Tuesday's long-awaited recital.

Her Rossini, centrally placed, presented her visiting-card and his. There was her recent Covent Garden *Semiramide* to remember, in the little "Canzonetta spagnuola" which pops up again in the opera's opening chorus. This was the bel-canto Horne, gurgling her way through a chain of wryly understated "ai-ee"s, with the fingers of Martin Katz providing plectrum-light piano accompaniment. And for the composer's own *carte de visite*, "L'addio di Rossini", Horne delicately balanced, as only she can, seriousness of technique with near-frivolity of performance.

Mahler's *Des knaben Wunderhorn* songs are not, perhaps, the repertoire which first springs to mind as typically Horne's. In her steel-tipped mezzo and Katz's almost brittle playing, these were grim tales indeed: not a trace of sentiment, but all the bright detail of an old-style child's picture-book, from the savagery of "Das irdische Leben" to the menagerie she made of "Lob des hohen Verstands".

The second half of the evening saw Miss Horne expanding into the fresh New World breezes of Samuel Barber's Six Songs, and into the sheer joy of vocal artistry in five turn-of-the-century Italian songs.

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Tamils blamed as Colombo bomb kills 11

Colombo (Reuter) — Eleven people were killed and about 100 wounded yesterday when a bomb wrecked two floors of the Central Telegraph Office in Colombo.

A National Security Ministry spokesman said the the bomb was planted by guerrillas fighting for an independent state for minority Tamils.

He said authorities suspected the island's biggest rebel group, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), set off the blast which ripped through the bottom two floors of the colonial-style building in the heart of the capital.

The spokesman said the LTTE was also suspected of being behind the bombing of an Air Lanka plane at Colombo airport last Saturday which killed 14 people, mainly foreigners.

Two people were arrested in connection with the latest attack.

The explosion, on the ground floor and heard more than a mile away, caused the first floor ceiling to collapse on telegraphists only minutes after they started working.

It was powerful enough to stop all clocks at exactly 9.23 am in the red-tiled white-washed building, located less than 500 yards from President Junius Jayewardene's official residence.

Panic gripped the city as ambulances and fire-engines, their sirens screaming, raced to the building.

Rescue workers, including pedestrians, carried injured out of the building on to the footpath and gave emergency aid as victims waited, bleeding and crying, to be ferried to hospitals.

A spokesman for Colombo General Hospital said six people died before they were admitted.

Two women were among the dead but it was not known how many victims were members of the public or among the 250 staff employed at the building, where the public book cables or international telephone calls.

Many residents fled home after the blast, fearing a Sinhalese backlash against Tamils in the capital similar to 1983 riots in which 400 people were killed.

"I rushed to the building to see what happened," one eye-witness said. "I pushed through broken wood and iron girders. I heard screaming all round."

Parliament postponed until tomorrow a debate on the national security situation demanded by the opposition after Saturday's Air Lanka bombing and other recent guerrilla attacks.

Scargill to pay 6-figure costs

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recently been awarded would also go towards the costs of the latest action. Expenses on his side, he said, had been "minimal" by using junior counsel.

The case, which ended yesterday, arose from an incident outside Mr Scargill's bungalow home in the early hours of July 18, 1982, when, surrounded by seven policemen and four police cars, he was questioned for up to 30 minutes about allegedly speeding at up to 120 mph in his union Jaguar while returning home from a London radio interview conducted by the daughter of the Prime Minister, Miss Carol Thatcher.

He was later cleared of the speeding offence at a magistrates' court.

During the High Court case Mr George Carmen, QC, for Mr Peter Wright, Chief Constable of South Yorkshire, said that it was a trivial matter brought by "a fading and flawed public figure", and that entrusting the upholding of civil liberties to Mr Scargill was "as dangerous as entrusting Satan with the task of abolishing sins".

Mr Scargill admitted he was disappointed at the outcome of the case but insisted that if necessary he would do the same again. "I am used to reverses and setbacks and used to having my position vindicated as time goes by."

He was asked if it had been worth bringing the case over such a trivial matter.

"I don't like being detained on the pavement outside my own home. I brought this action because it was true. I would do so again because civil liberties and human rights in this country are under threat and unless they are challenged it is easy to see them being eroded.

"I don't think the verdict has damaged my credibility. That stands the test of time," he said.

Mr Scargill, who said he preferred the jury system as being "infinitely better than a single individual sitting in judgement", made it clear that he did not intend to appeal against the decision.



The Princess of Wales, speaking at the dinner and looking well. Right, being supported during her earlier fainting spell.

Princess carries on after fainting fit

From John Best, Vancouver

The Princess of Wales joined her husband for a final, strenuous round of pavilion-hopping at Expo 86 yesterday apparently none the worse for a fainting spell at the same World's Fair site on Tuesday afternoon.

The Royal couple scheduled visits to the British Columbian, Australian and Japanese pavilions at the fair before departing by air for Japan, where they will spend six days as guests of the Japanese Government.

At a dinner on the eve of their departure following an eight-day visit to British Columbia, the Prince of Wales made light of the spell which overcame the Princess a few hours earlier during a tour of the California pavilion.

"My wife is feeling much better now," he said, adding: "It is really entirely due to the advantageous conditions that pertain in British Columbia — the weather and the general fragile conditions which have ensured that she's about to have sextuplets, which is really why she fainted.

"It's not actually true but there we are."

The Princess did indeed look refreshed and better following a rest in the Royal Suite at the Pan Pacific Hotel, to which the Royal couple retired after emerging from the California pavilion.

And the waiters who served her table reported that the Princess ate all that was on her plate. The dinner consisted of fillet of red snapper, a kind of fish, with fruit and sherbet for dessert.

Altogether the Royal couple visited five pavilions on Tuesday, including the British one.

Their gruelling day also included a mid-morning visit to Burnaby, a Vancouver suburb, where they dedicated a new park; lunch with the commissioners of the 54 national pavilions at Expo; and the dinner at night.

Tuesday was a beautiful, sunny day in Vancouver, but quite hot on the Expo grounds. To reach the California pavilion, the royal couple walked about 100 yards in the sun from the US site, their previous stop.

Some time after entering the California pavilion the Princess suddenly put her hand to her head, tottered, and started to fall over. She was caught by her personal physician, Surgeon Commander Ian Jenkins, who helped her to a rest area, aided by the Prince of Wales.

After resting about ten minutes the Princess felt strong enough to walk out of the building without help.

● Stress factor: The Princess may have collapsed because of a dangerous combination of travel stress, overwork and low blood pressure, a medical specialist said yesterday (Thomson Prentice writes).

Since the Royal couple flew to British Columbia last Wednesday, they have travelled on six internal flights to engagements around the province. But not enough time for adjustment to "jet lag" from the initial flight may have been provided, said Dr Malcolm Carruthers, medical director of the Positive Health Centre, an holistic health clinic in Harley Street.

"The close, warm conditions in which the Princess fainted are similar to those in which guardsmen faint on parade. They can provoke a slowing down of the heart rate, which means that insufficient blood reaches the brain."

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Polling in Dhaka marred by violence

From Michael Hamlyn, Dhaka

The first parliamentary elections in Bangladesh since 1979 were marred yesterday by widespread violence and rigging.

The extent of the violence was such that the leader of the main party opposing the martial law regime of Lieutenant-General Ershad, Sheikh Hasina Wazed, said last night: "It was not so much rigging as dacoity."

Sheikh Hasina — whose father, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the country's first leader, was assassinated in 1975 — said that between 20 and 25 members of her party, the Awami League, had been killed in the violence.

She said violence and rigging had been reported from most major centres of population, including not only the capital, Dhaka, where two people had been killed, and Khulna, where seven to nine had died, but also in Jessore, Comilla, Faridpur, Gopalganj, and many other places.

Sheikh Hasina described to me last night incidents she had seen at the Jagannath College of Dhaka University.

"When I reached the polling station there it was occupied by Jatiyo goondas," she said. The Jatiyo Party was founded to provide a vehicle for the democratic ambitions of General Ershad. *Goonda* is a universal subcontinental word for thug or hooligan.

"They were stuffing false votes into the ballot boxes," she said. "They jumped out when they saw me, and waved bombs and arms at me.

"I saw people with rifles and revolvers there. I protested to the police, but they did nothing."

The Awami leader went so far as to accuse General Ershad of personally ordering the burning of ballots in his home constituency of Rangpur.

Angry crowds of would-be voters were blocking some polling stations in Dhaka last night and refusing to allow officials to leave.

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Sogat to seek control again of £17m assets

By Michael McCarthy

The print union, Sogat '82, will today seek to purge its contempt of court in the News International dispute and to regain control of its assets worth £17 million.

The union will apologize to the High Court and promise to withdraw its instruction to wholesalers not to handle newspapers produced at Mr Rupert Murdoch's plant at Wapping, east London.

For three months Sogat has been in breach of a court order to lift the "blacking" instruction on News International's titles, *The Times*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Sun* and the *News of The World*.

Mr Justice Michael Davies, describing the breach as "flagrant" on February 10, fined the union £25,000 for contempt of court and ordered the sequestration of its entire assets, from bank accounts to office furniture.

In March Mr Justice Taylor gave a sharper edge to the order by sequestrating the union's fleet of 79 official cars.

Sogat was known to have quickly paid its officials in advance for a limited period, just before the sequestration.

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen visits Stoke-on-Trent; she opens the National Garden Festival, 10.20; and later opens the Beth Johnson Association Sheltered Housing Scheme, 3.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother attends a gala performance of ballet, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, 7.25.

Princess Anne visits the London School of Economics, Houghton St, WC2, 2.45; and later attends the annual dinner of the Chief Constables Club, The Savoy Hotel, WC2, 7.45.

Princess Margaret, accompanied by The Duke of Gloucester, attends a reception at Kenwood House, Hampstead, 12.

The Duke of Gloucester opens the Council for Education in World citizenship's new offices at Seymour Mews House, Seymour Mews, W1, 5.05.

The Duchess of Gloucester attends a fashion show, Mayfair Hotel, Berkeley St, W1, 6.50.

The Duke of Kent visits Bombay, departs Heathrow, 6.

The Duchess of Kent attends a gala performance of *Chess*, Prince Edward Theatre, Old Compton St, W1, 7.50.

New exhibitions

Two sculpture and one painter: work by three new artists; **Oxford** Central Library, Westgate; Mon to Fri 10.30 to 7, Thurs and Sat 10.30 to 5 (ends May 15).

Paintings of Heswall; **Heswall** Library, Telegraph Rd; today 10 to 1 and 2 to 7.30, tomorrow 10 to 1 and 2 to 5, Sat 10 to 1, Mon 10 to 1 and 2 to 7.30, Tues 10 to 1 and 2 to 5 (ends May 13).

Alastair Hull: Afghanistan; Old Bruns Farm, St Leonards, Tring, Herts; Mon to Sun 10.30 to 7 (ends May 18).

Britain at Bay: The Home Front 1939-45; **Falmouth** Art Gallery, Municipal Buildings, The Moor; Mon to Fri 10 to 4.30 (ends June 2).

New work by Charles Oakley; Arts Council Gallery, Bedford St, **Belfast**; Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (ends May 30).

Last chance to see

Drawings for sculpture by Emily Hoffnung and lustreware by Janet Lewis; Bohun Gallery, Station Rd, **Henley-on-Thames**, Oxon, 10 to 5.30.

People of the Ice: Inuit art; Ginnel Gallery, 16 Lloyd Street, **Manchester**, 9 to 5.30.

Music

Concert by the Schubert Ensemble of London; St George's, Brandon Hill, **Bristol**, 1.

Concert by the Hague Philharmonic Orchestra; Sheldonian Theatre, **Oxford**, 7.30.

Concert by Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra and Choir; St David's Hall, **Cardiff**, 8.

Recital by Rachel Cooper (soprano), Andrew Mayor (baritone) and Nigel Foster (piano); St Mary's, **Aylesbury**, 1.10.

Concert by the Arioso Quartet with Ulrich Heinan (cello); Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret St, **Birmingham**, 1.

Concert by the Medici String Quartet with John Bingham (piano); Taliesin Arts Centre, University College, **Swansea**, 7.30.

Concert by the London Baroque; New Hall, **Winchester** College, Culver Rd, 7.30.

Talks, lectures

Sixty Years of Physics, by Prof Sir Nevill Mott; Attenborough Lecture Theatre 1, Leicester University, 2.15.

Regeneration in inner urban areas, by Piers Gough; The Huntingdon Centre, The Vineyards, The Paragon, **Bath**, 6.15.

General

Secondhand Book Fair; Queen's Hall, Leicester University, 10 to 4.

Anniversaries

Births: **Thomas Hancock**, pioneer of the rubber industry, Marlborough, Wiltshire, 1786; **Jean Henri Dunant**, founder of the Red Cross, Geneva, 1828; **Harry S. Truman**, 33rd President of the USA 1945-53, Lamar, Missouri, 1884.

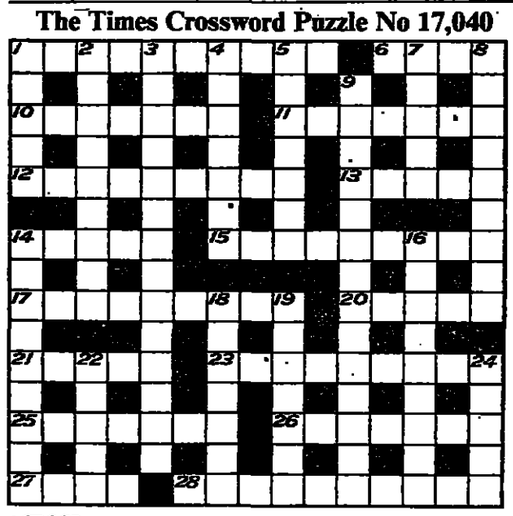
Deaths: **Antoine Lavoisier**, chemist, Paris, 1794; **John Stuart Mill**, political economist, Avignon, France, 1873; **Gustave Flaubert**, Croisset, France, 1880; **Paul Gauguin**, Atuana, Marquesas Islands, 1903; **Oswald Spengler**, philosopher, Munich, 1936; **Gordon Selfridge**, founder of the London store, London, 1947.

VE day, 1945.

£10,000 bonds

The winning numbers in this month's £10,000 Premium Bond prizes are: 12BW 656306. The winner lives in Worthing: 2LZ 894101 (Shropshire); 12TB 492898 (North Yorkshire); 15YK 173585 (Burnley); 17YZ 096171 (London Borough of Hackney).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,040



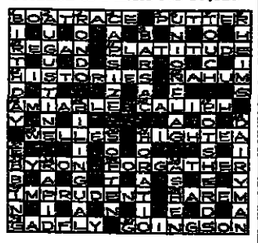
ACROSS

1 Island state shown in unusually accurate burlesque (10).
6 Olympian land measures (4).
10 Dupe is heard calling for help (7).
11 Ed's fury uncontrolled, as was Zola's on his behalf (7).
12 Dear girl accommodates team that includes writers (9).
13 According to Holmes the woman's first name (5).
14 Could the coot, with this bird, conceal its baldness? (5).
15 Doctor outside is taking up boy, being violently disturbed (9).
17 Give us a haircut, say, that's crude (9).
20 Church music taken by the president (5).
21 Moral code — of Christians for instance, and here in Rome (5).
23 Did Miss Cardew's governess appear in such rainbow colours? (9).
25 20's tail is only item on the menu (7).
26 Aircraft control obtainable from retailer only (7).
27 *Girl of the month a one-time Mexican Indian?* (4).
28 He pays taxi — odd way to get rid of Desdemona! (10).

DOWN

1 Found direction in class (5).
2 A sheet from Paddy's Journal? (4-5).
3 At which gamblers made five bob once with a couple of flukes (5,3,6).
4 Delayed, thanks to rider's mishap (7).
5 Right in the matter of costume (7).
7 Ransack the Spanish wood up here (5).
8 Jack Ketch's *item of underwear* (9).
9 Exclude pop? I'm so crazy with this thing about mum (7,7).
14 Message for taxi to take member to music school (9).
16 Restaurant serves up jammy confection to one in the gunners (9).
18 Work on newspapers can so get one down (7).
19 Vegetable with gammon for Anthony Rowley (7).
22 Dog — or horse, say? (5).
24 In which Hiawatha finally went West (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,039



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Books — paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week

FICTION

For Sylvia, An Honest Account, by Valentine Ackland (Methuen, £3.95)
Living on Yesterday, by Edith Templeton, introduction by Anita Brookner (Hogarth Press, £3.95)
Mr Wakefield's Crusade, by Bernice Rubens (Abacus, £3.50)
Paradise Postponed, by John Mortimer (Penguin, £3.50)
Solstice, by Joyce Carol Oates (Pavanne, £2.95)
The Therapy of Avram Blok, by Simon Louvish (Black Swan, £3.95)

NON-FICTION

Autobiography, by G.K. Chesterton, introduction by Richard Ingrams (Harnish Hamilton,£5.95)
Cecil Beaton, by Hugo Vickers (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £8.95)
Into the Thirties, Style and design 1927-1934, by Klaus-Jürgen Sembach, translated by Judith Filson (Thames & Hudson, £8.95)
Selected Poems, by U.A. Fanthorpe (Penguin, £2.95)

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The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.20	2.05
Austria Sch	24.70	23.50
Belgium Fr	72.30	68.50
Canada $	2.19	2.09
Denmark Kr	13.05	12.35
Finland Mkk	8.16	7.56
France Fr	11.19	10.64
Germany Dm	3.52	3.34
Greece Dr	218.00	203.00
Hong Kong $	12.30	11.60
Ireland Pt	1.155	1.095
Italy Lire	2405.00	2285.00
Japan Yen	266.00	252.00
Netherlands Gld	3.95	3.76
Norway Kr	11.33	10.58
Portugal Esc	233.00	221.00
South Africa Rd	4.10	3.40
Spain Pta	222.50	210.50
Sweden Kr	11.33	10.76
Switzerland Fr	2.94	2.78
USA $	1.595	1.525
Yugoslavia Dnr	530.00	490.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC.

Retail Price Index: 381.6

London: The *FT* index closed down 22.8 at 1345.7.

Radiation unit

A public information unit handling inquiries about levels of radiation throughout Britain after the Chernobyl explosion has been set up by the Government.

The telephone number of the new Department of Environment radiation information unit is 01-212-3434.

Roads

London and South-east: A303(M): Westbound delays on Wandsworth Rd at the junction with Cedars, Clapham. A406: Traffic congestion between 10 am and 3.30 pm on the North Circular Rd at Chiswick between Gunnersbury Ave and the Chiswick roundabout. A6: Delays at Clapham High St.

The Midlands: M5: Contraflow between junctions 4 (Bromsgrove) and 5 (Droitwich); two lanes open southbound and only one lane open northbound. M6: Contraflow between junctions 16 and 16 Stoke-on-Trent. A449: Delays at Shareshill just off junction 11 of the M6, N of Wolverhampton.

Wales and West: A38: Repairs and lane closures at Tamar Bridge between Liskeard and Plymouth. A30: Temporary traffic lights on Sherborne Causeway between Yeovil and Milborne; delays. A420: Temporary traffic lights at Two Mile Hill, Kingswood, delaying traffic travelling between Bristol and Chippenham.

The North: M6: Roadworks between junctions 32 and 33 delaying traffic in both directions. M61: Blacow Bridge: Lane closures at junction M61/M6 due to construction of new motorway link on M61 at Walton Summit. A74: Contraflow between Gretna Green near Todhills village.

Scotland: A96: Aberdeen: Citybound carriageway closed at Bucksburn; single line traffic. A74: Contraflow at Pomel Bridge, S of Lesmagow, Lanarkshire; delays likely. Glasgow: Width restrictions on Maryhill Rd between Queens Cross and Northpark St; diversions.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on crime prevention.

Lords (3): Gas Bill, committee, third day.

Portfolio Gold

Times Portfolio Gold rules are as follows:

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11 If for any reason The Times Prices Page is not published in the normal way Times Portfolio will be suspended for that day.

How to play — Daily Dividend

On each day, your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in The Times Portfolio list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or -), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or -).

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to play — Weekly Dividend

Monday-Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0256-20671 between 10.00am and 3.30pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

Weather forecast

A depression to NW of Scotland will fill leaving a showery airstream over most areas. Later, an occlusion will approach the SW.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, E, NW, central N, NE England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands: Sunny periods, showers developing, some heavy but dying out later; wind S to SW moderate, locally fresh; max temp 15C (59F).

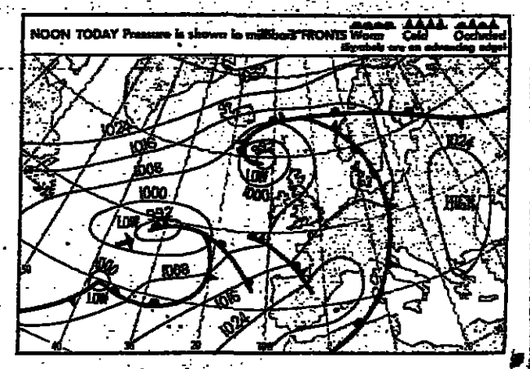
SW England: Sunny intervals, occasional showers, more general rain towards midnight in the SW; winds SW moderate to fresh; max temp 14C (57F).

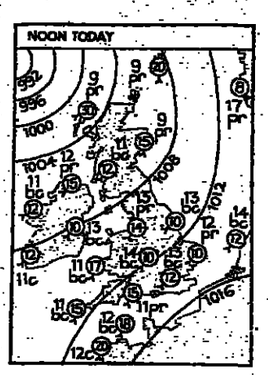
Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland: Sunny intervals, occasional showers mostly dying out; wind SW moderate to fresh; max temp 14C (57F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, occasional showers, possibly heavy with hail and thunder; wind S to SE moderate to fresh; max temp 13C (55F).

Argyll, NW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Rather cloudy, brief sunny intervals, rain or showers; wind fresh to strong SE; max temp 13C (55F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Continuing unsettled with further rain or showers. Temperatures well up to normal.





b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

	Sun Rises:	Sun Sets:
	5.21 am	8.35 pm
	Moon rises:	Moon sets:
	5.04 am	8.28 pm

New moon 11.10 pm

Lighting-up time

London 9.05 pm to 4.49 am
Bristol 9.14 pm to 4.59 am
Edinburgh 9.35 pm to 4.43 am
Manchester 9.21 pm to 4.50 am
Penzance 9.21 pm to 5.15 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	r	9	48	Guernsey	c	9	48
B'ningham	r	9	48	Inverness	r	7	45
Blackpool	f	10	50	Jersey	r	9	48
Bristol	f	11	52	London	r	12	54
Cardiff	f	11	52	M'nchester	f	13	55
Edinburgh	r	7	45	Newcastle	r	8	46
Glasgow	r	6	43	N'rnIreland	c	8	46

Local elections

Elections take place today in 209 local councils, including all seats in all 32 London boroughs and all 12 Scottish regions and island authorities. There will be elections for one third of the seats in the 36 English metropolitan districts and 123 English shire districts and six Welsh districts. Also taking place today are the first direct elections for all Inner London Education Authority seats and parliamentary by-elections in Ryedale and West Derbyshire.

Polling hours are between 8 am and 9 pm except for the parliamentary by-elections in Ryedale and West Derbyshire which are 7 am to 10 pm.

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.28	6.9	2.52	7.1
Aberdeen	1.56	3.9	2.00	3.9
Avonmouth	7.55	12.7	8.12	12.7
Belfast	11.42	3.2	11.59	3.1
Cardiff	7.40	11.7	7.57	11.7
Devonport	6.20	5.3	6.41	5.3
Dover	11.48	6.2		
Falmouth	5.50	5.1	6.11	5.1
Glasgow	1.19	4.3	1.39	4.6
Harwich	12.22	3.9	12.53	3.9
Holyhead	10.55	5.3	11.16	5.2
Hull	7.01	6.9	7.04	7.2
Ilfracombe	6.34	8.6	6.50	8.6
Leith	3.12	5.2	3.22	5.3
Liverpool	11.54	8.9		
Lowestoft	10.24	2.3	10.18	2.8
Margate	12.26	4.5	1.01	4.5
Milford Haven	6.50	8.6	7.07	8.6
Newquay	5.41	6.6	5.58	6.8
Oban	6.17	3.5	6.32	3.7
Penzance	5.18	5.4	5.37	5.4
Portland	7.36	1.9	8.00	2.0
Portsmouth			12.06	4.5
Shoreham	11.53	5.8		
Southampton	11.36	4.2	11.53	4.4
Swansea	7.01	9.1	7.17	9.1
Tees	4.21	5.0	4.28	5.2
Wilton-on-Ntss	12.05	4.0	12.33	4.0

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.280ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	10.6	.04	13	55	sunny
Bridlington	11.4	.04	11	52	sunny
Cromer	8.3	—	19	66	cloudy
Lowestoft	7.9	—	13	55	sunny
Clacton	7.9	.01	14	57	sunny
Margate	8.3	—	16	61	dull
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	6.9	.05	14	57	rain
Hastings	4.9	.15	12	54	rain
Eastbourne	5.2	.07	11	52	shwrs
Brighton	6.6	—	12	54	sunny
Worthing	6.8	—	12	54	rain
Littlehmptn	4.9	.01	13	55	cloudy
Bognor R	8.3	—	13	55	sunny
Southsea	7.2	—	12	54	sunny
Sandown	6.4	—	13	55	bright
Shanklin	6.2	—	12	54	cloudy
Bournemth	5.0	.03	12	54	shwrs
Poole	4.8	.03	13	55	shwrs
Swanage	4.4	.01	11	52	shwrs
Weymouth	7.1	.08	12	54	sunny
Exmouth	8.6	—	12	54	sunny
Teignmouth	10.8	.01	12	54	sunny
Torquay	11.3	—	12	54	sunny
Falmouth	5.0	.02	12	54	shwrs
Penzance	5.9	.03	13	55	sunny
Jersey	8.5	.10	14	57	bright
Guernsey	9.2	.03	13	56	sunny
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	5.0	.21	12	54	sunny
Newquay	5.3	—	13	55	shwrs

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Ilfracombe	10.2	—	15	59	sunny
Tenby	11.1	.03	12	54	sunny
Colwyn Bay	9.7	.05	15	59	sunny
Morecambe	5.9	.14	16	61	bright
Douglas	9.0	.02	11	52	sunny
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	7.5	.02	16	61	rain
B'ham Airpt	5.0	—	15	59	shwrs
Bristol (City)	5.8	.15	13	55	sunny
Cardiff (Cdz)	8.7	—	13	55	sunny
Anglesey	10.3	—	15	59	sunny
Prpool Airpt	7.4	.02	16	61	shwrs
Manchester	6.4	—	15	59	bright
N'cstle-n-Tyne	9.5	.15	14	57	sunny
Carlisle	8.5	.07	16	61	shwrs
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	7.2	.24	13	55	shwrs
Prestwick	6.4	—	15	59	shwrs
Glasgow	3.8	.02	15	59	shwrs
Tiree	2.6	.02	11	52	shwrs
Stornoway	6.1	.16	12	54	rain
Lerwick	1.2	.50	9	48	fog am
Wick	4.3	.25	12	54	sunny
Kinloss	6.7	.09	17	63	sunny
Aberdeen	11.3	.23	14	57	sunny
St. Andrews	7.4	.26	12	54	hail
Edinburgh	6.5	.21	15	59	bright
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	x				

These are Tuesday's figures

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Ajaccio	s 20	68	Cologne	f 16	61	Majorca	s 21	70
Akrotiri	c 22	72	C'phagn	s 16	61	Malaga	s 22	72
Alex'dria	f 23	73	Corfu	f 21	70	Malta	f 21	70
Algiers	c 22	72	Dublin	c 11	52	Melb'rne	r 19	66
Amst'dm	f 15	59	Dubrovnk	c 21	70	Mexico C	f 24	75
Athens	s 22	72	Faro	f 18	64	Miami	s 28	82
Bahrain	s 31	88	Florence	s 23	73	Milan	c 18	64
Barbados	f 29	82	Frankfurt	c 14	57	Montreal	c 10	50
Barcelna	s 18	64	Funchal	s 21	70	Moscow	f 20	68
Beirut			Geneva	c 16	61	Munich	s 21	70
Belgrade	s 23	73	Gibraltar	s 19	66	Nairobi	c 24	75
Berlin	s 23	73	Helsinki	s 22	72	Naples	c 19	66
Bermuda	s 22	72	Hong K	c 26	79	N Delhi	s 33	91
Biarritz	s 17	63	Innsbruck	f 19	66	N York		
Bonn	f 12	54	Istanbul	s 16	61	Nice	f 18	64
Borde'x	f 16	61	Jeddah	s 34	93	Oslo	s 22	72
Brussels	f 14	57	Jo'burg	f 17	63	Paris	r 9	48
Budapst	s 22	73	Karachi	s 35	95	Perth	s 26	79
B Aires	s 17	63	L Palmas	f 22	72	Perth	r 16	61
Cairo	s 31	88	Lisbon	c 16	61	Prague	f 23	73
Cape Tn	s 20	68	Locarno	r 12	54	Reykjvk	s 8	46
Chicago	f 19	66	Luxembg	f 12	54	Rhodes	f 22	72
Chicago	f 27	81	L Angeles	s 16	61	Riyadh	s 33	91
Ch'church	s 14	57	Madrid	f 14	57	Rio de J	d 24	75
						Zurich	s 17	63

	C	F
Majorca	s 21	70
Malaga	s 22	72
Malta	f 21	70
Melb'rne	r 19	66
Mexico C	f 24	75
Miami	s 28	82
Milan	c 18	64
Montreal	c 10	50
Moscow	f 20	68
Munich	s 21	70
Nairobi	c 24	75
Naples	c 19	66
N Delhi	s 33	91
N York		
Nice	f 18	64
Oslo	s 22	72
Paris	r 9	48
Perth	s 26	79
Perth	r 16	61
Prague	f 23	73
Reykjvk	s 8	46
Rhodes	f 22	72
Riyadh	s 33	91
Rio de J	d 24	75
Zurich	s 17	63

* denotes Tuesday's figures are latest available

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

STOCK MARKET
FT 30 Share 1345.7 (–22.8)
FT-SE 100 1610.1 (–26.1)
USM (Datastream) n/a

THE POUND
US Dollar 1.5375 (+0.0025)
W German mark 3.3827 (+0.0437)
Trade-weighted 76.3 (same)

Leigh-Pemberton calls for international supervision

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The Governor of the Bank of England, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, yesterday called for the supervisors of banks and securities markets around the world to coordinate their regulatory responsibilities.

He added that as financial markets became increasingly international, supervisors of securities market in different countries should be prepared to establish closer relationships and exchange confidential information.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton's remarks, in a speech to the London International Capital Markets Conference, represent the first time the Bank has pushed for a harmonization of both banking and capital market supervision rules internationally.

He said: "With banking and capital markets becoming closer and borrowers moving between them, I wonder whether banking and securities supervisors should not now be putting their heads together internationally."

It was important that regulators of different markets reached an understanding to minimize duplication in reporting requirements and to coordinate action, he said. This needed to be done without overriding statory obligations governing the regulators of different countries and without leaving gaps through which business could slip unregulated.

The Bank is already discreetly pressing for stronger and more co-ordinated supervisory codes internationally through its membership of the Basle Committee.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton added that there was a need for more exchange of information between different regulatory bodies as the distinction between banks and other financial institutions became increasingly blurred. The Governor's remarks follow a hard-hitting speech given on Tuesday by Mr George Blunden, the Bank's deputy governor, insisting that moves to tighten regulation of British banking markets would continue even though if it meant putting British banks at a competitive disadvantage internationally.

Mr Blunden warned foreign banks operating in the United Kingdom that they would be subject to the same supervisory rules as British banks or risk being reported to their own supervisory authorities.

● Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the US Federal Reserve Board, yesterday urged Congress to pass legislation granting broad powers to banking regulators to prevent failures resulting from "unusually severe economic conditions" in certain regions of America, writes Bailey Morris.

He testified in support of emergency legislation which would expand the authority of the three largest banking agencies to acquire failing banks and to arrange purchases of bankrupt institutions with assets of $250 million or more.

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Sir Nigel fails to let in the light

Trafalgar House continues to produce results and pay dividends normally designed to satisfy the most fastidious fund managers, yet the performance of its shares has a faded look. Fashions change and Trafalgar is no longer fashionable; or perhaps more accurately it does not do currently fashionable things. True Lord Hanson and Sir Gordon White can buy companies in sunset industries and be credited with magical powers of letting in light; but not, it appears, Sir Nigel Broackes and Eric Parker. Trafalgar's purchase of the rest of troubled John Brown will not immediately change this perception.

Trafalgar is clearly in an unlucky phase. The strategy of adding first Scott Lithgow and John Brown to its existing engineering interests made sense in the context of thriving oil exploration and the imaginative EuroRoute cross-Channel bridge and tunnel scheme. EuroRoute came second to Channel Tunnel Group (which may still turn out to be an albatross round a hung Conservative Cabinet's neck) and the collapse in oil prices casts a bleak shadow over Scott Lithgow as well as undermining Trafalgar's direct involvement in oil and gas. After the shut-out by the Vickers-Camell Laird management, the John Brown aquisition might only fuel suspicions that Trafalgar has flexed its muscles just to make sure they are still in working order.

Its muscles will be needed, but Sir Nigel Broackes does not pump iron for display. Trafalgar's acquisitions like its disposals always have a certain logic. The company will have had a thorough look at John Brown's books since it took its 30 per cent stake in last August's £70 million refinancing package. Secondly, engineering is very much Trafalgars ome country — indeed Sir Nigel's interim report to shareholders pointedly underlined Trafalgar's "long-term commitment to the construction and engineering industries".

That said, Trafalgar, though not lacking its habitual optimism, at presenthas more problems on its books than opportunities. Its profile has become blurred, its way ahead less clear.

Given the nature of the shut-out offer, the choice for John Brown shareholders is little wider than the one that faced Hobson. Shares worth 118p seven years ago can now be sold in the market for about 29p or exchanged for Trafalgar House paper worth a penny more. Either way it is the awakening from a nightmare that at times must have seemed endless. Should they take the shares, life will a lot less worrying and might even be a little dull for the next year.

Bestwood lifts bid

Bestwood, the investment holding company, looked set to win the takeover battle for the Country Gentlemen's Association last night, after it increased its offer to 7 shares for 2. The new offer values each CGA share at £11.32, with Bestwood at 485p.

Mr Tony Cole, chairman of Bestwood, said: "I am extremely confident of a succesful conclusion". Bestwood has acquired 12.5 per cent of CGA's shares and received acceptances from holders of a further 33.5 per cent, taking the total to 46 per cent.

Bestwood's original offer was 2 for 1 or 1 share plus 350p in cash for one. The partial cash alternative has not been increased and will therefore lapse on Friday, May 9.

Debt bites

Royal Bank of Scotland yesterday reported pretax profits for the six months to March 31 up from £75.9 million to £92.7 million. The bank said that its performance had been hampered by a rising charge for bad and doubtful debt and a sharp increase in expenses. Its shares fell 14p to 338p.

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Profit up 19%

Nurdin & Peacock reported a pretax profit for the year to January 4 of £15.7 million, up 19.3 per cent on the previous year. Turnover was up 22 per cent to £728 million, and the dividend for the year was raised to 4.05p.

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Property sale

Burnett & Hallamshire, the troubled coal-mining group which wrote off £49.3 million on speculative Californian property developments last year, has sold its third Californian development for $28.1 million (£18.3 million).

Whessoe dip

Whessoe is holding its interim dividend at 2.5p, after reporting pretax profits down from £2.02 million to £1.37 million for the six months to March 29. Turnover slipped to £47.83 million from £48.2 million.

Shops bought

W H Smith & Son has paid £800,000 for 75 per cent of Paperchase Products, which trades in two greeting cards and fashion stationery shops in London.

Philips' slip

Philips Lamps' pretax income fell from 532 million fl to 394 million fl (£103 million) in the first quarter of this year on sales down from 14.23 billion fl to 13.06 billion fl.

Trafalgar House in agreed £80m bid for John Brown

By Richard Lander

Trafalgar House, the shipping, industrial and oil conglomerate, yesterday announced an agreed takeover bid for the John Brown engineering group which it helped rescue last year by taking a 29.9 per cent stake as part of a refinancing package.

The two companies have already worked together on a number of international construction and engineering projects, including contracts in the United States and Soviet Union. Trafalgar's chief executive, Mr Eric Parker, said John Brown would retain its identity after the merger, adding: "We've no plans to change the nature of John Brown's business, but we hope the merger will remove their problem of a lack of financial muscle."

If successful, the takeover will end one of the longest-running distress stories in British industry. Battered by the recession of the early 1980s, John Brown hovered near demise on a number of occasions before last summer's £70 million rescue package which also involved a rights issue and the conversion of some £37 million of bank debt into share capital. John Brown lost £3.3 million in the six months ended September 30 and Trafalgar said yesterday the formal offer document would probably reveal a small loss for the whole year. However, Mr Parker confidently predicted a surplus for 1986-87.



Eric Parker: John Brown identity will remain

Trafalgar is offering one share for every 10 John Brown, valuing each share at 30p and the entire company at about £80 million. John Brown shares rose 6p to 29p yesterday while Trafalgar fell back a similar amount to 296p.

Trafalagar also announced its results for the six months to March 31 yesterday, reporting pretax profits up from £57.4 million to £72.7 million. The interim dividend was raised from 5.4p to 6.2p and the company expects a similar 15 per cent increase in the final payment. The half-time figures were very much a mixed bag with property and construction profits slightly down and contributions from oil and gas exploitaion almost halving because of falling energy prices.

The rise in profits stemmed from Trafalgar's other two divisions. Shipping, aviation and hotels profits almost trebled to £15.3 million with falling oil prices helping the company and the group's luxury liners producing record revenues. Returns from property and investment rose from £28.6 million to £41.4 million, although this also included profits from the sale of investments in French Kier and the London Evening Standard as well as provision for losses on Trafalgar's six per cent stake in the Tricentrol oil group.

Bank keeps control

By Graham Searjeant

The Bank of England is to retain reponsibility for supervising dealings between brokers in certificates of deposit and wholesale markets in currency and gold options and futures, Mr Ian Stewart, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, said in a written parliamentary answer

These markets were originally to be brought into the scope of the new machinery set up by the Financial Services Bill. They deal in minimum units of £100,000 and £500,000 respectively, but the gold and currency markets in particular were caught up in the general clause covering sales of all options and futures to the public.

This still leaves a number of issues in the Financial Services Bill. Dealers in Eurobonds and some international securities may be disappointed in their campaign for special treatment of dealings between professionals.

The Government also has to announce a decision on the campaign by representatives of the new City self-regulatory organisations for legal immunities.

Unigate sale

Unigate has accepted an offer by Mejeriselskabet Danmark (Co-op Denmark) to acquire Boel Foods, a wholly-owned Danish subsidiary of Unigate, at an undisclosed price. Co-op Denmark will appoint another Unigate subsidiary, St Ivel, to continue marketing Boel's products in Britain.

Bridport wins

Bridport-Gundry has declared its offer for Halls Barton Ropery Co unconditional after receiving acceptances for 91 per cent of the shares.

Promise and confusion

One of the most promising, and at the same time most confusing outcomes of the Tokyo summit, is the apparent agreement of the leaders of the Western industrialized countries to embark on a period of co-ordinated economic management.

James Baker, the US Treasury Secretary, a man clearly determined to leave his mark on history, regards the agreement as the most important step towards restoring exchange rate stability since the break up of the Bretton Woods system in the early seventies.

Nigel Lawson, after sitting and participating in the horse trading over whether a brake should be put on the dollar's fall, or whether the Japanese really have suffered any pain because of the yen's rise, probably sees things a little differently.

The summit accord on economic policy co-ordination has to be put in context, and that context is the global medium term financial strategy idea which dominated the IMF interim committee meeting in Washington last month.

The idea, and it is a simple one, is that just as it has been helpful in Britain for the Government to operate on medium term targets for public borrowing and monetary growth, so it would be helpful for the major economies, both to be aware of and to attempt to slot in with other countries' targets.

The aim is not the direct one of restoring exchange rate stability, but rather removing the policy inconsistencies and imbalances which lead to currency volatility.

So far so good, and everyone at the summit appeared to agree that this was a Good Thing. Unfortunately at this point the summit communiqué got a little lost. It specified a list of indicators — growth rates, inflation, interest rates, budget deficits, current account and trade balances, money supply, reserves and exchange rates — which will be monitored to form the basis of this policy co-ordination.

James Baker, in his post summit interviews, implied that goals would be set for these indicators, and corrective action taken when the goals are not met. This, of course, is optimism about the powers of economic policy taken to absurd extremes.

Apart from the fact that the British Treasury is reluctant to publish, and claims no expertise, in the forecasting of interest and exchange rates, there is a clear difficulty, in the notion of simultaneously targeting the pound, base rates and the money supply, and co-ordinating such targets with those of other countries.

The beauty of medium term financial strategy, if such an expression is appropriate, was its simplicity. To attempt to design a global MTFS based on different governments juggling a large number of balls in the air and occasionally throwing them to one another, is asking rather too much.

Takeover offer likely for Aitken Hume

By Alison Eadie

The long-awaited bid for Aitken Hume, the banking to investment group which has hada spate of boardroom departures, is expected today.

The moving force behind the bid is thought to be Mr Nicholas Oppenheim, deputy chairman of Argyle Trust, the financial services holding company. Argyle Trust yesterday denied speculation that it was the likely bidder.

Mr Oppenheim, however, is on several other boards, including Sterling Trust, a licensed deposit taker, and Sterling Life, a life assurance company, both of which are subsidiaries of Argyle. He is also a director of Dewey Warren, the Lloyd's insurance broker, Smaller Companies International Trust, the investment trust, and Kellock Trust.

Aitken Hume's shares fell 2p to 150p yesterday on Argyle's denial, valuing the company at £68 million. The most recent departures from Aitken's boardroom have been Mr Michael Scorey, the finance director, and Prince Michael of Kent, a non-executive director.

Last November Mr Timothy Aitken resigned as chief executive after it was agreed that a more establishment style of management was needed. Mr Tony Constance took over as chief executive in March with Mr Jonathon Aitken, cousin of Timothy, remaining as chairman.

Wimpey stake is placed

By Judith Huntley

Grove Charity Management has placed 14.9 per cent of George Wimpey, the construction, housebuilding and property group, on the market for £73.08 million, reducing its stake in the company to 35 per cent.

S G Warburg & Co, the merchant bank advising Grove, said: "Grove has no present intention of disposing of any further shares in Wimpey." Brokers to the placing were Rowe & Pitman and Mullens & Co.

The placing has been taken up by a number of institutions which paid 174p per share for the 42 million 25p ordinary shares, showing a 5.5 per cent discount. Mr Kenneth Costa of S G Warburg said Grove decided to sell to diversify the risk and spread of its investments.

Speculation has been rife that any willingness by Grove to sell part of its stake would lead to a takeover bid from a rival, possibly Trafalgar House. George Wimpey welcomed the placing — a company spokesman said the move should discourage speculation about Wimpey and that it was preferable to have 35 per cent of the company in the hands of one shareholder than nearly 50 per cent.

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Park Place 'yes' to bid

By Our City Staff

Park Place, the company running training courses for accountants and other professional groups, has agreed to a £49.4 million cash offer from Wolters Samsom Groep, a Dutch company specializing in technical and business publishing.

Directors of Park Place, speaking for 8 per cent of the shares, have accepted the offer. Morgan Grenfell, adviser to Wolters, was also buying shares in the market yesterday.

Park Place shares rose 23p to 333p, against an offer price of 335p. Before the announcement of the bid approach, the shares were 260p.

The two companies are in related areas and believe that together they can develop new publishing and training products and exploit international markets. Wolters can also give Park Place additional financial strength.

King & Shaxon set to take Smith St Aubyn

By Our Banking Correspondent

Irving Trust, the US banking group, yesterday bowed out of the battle for Smith St Aubyn, the discount house, opening the way for King & Shaxon, another discount house, to take over its smaller rival.

By the time the Irving offer — worth £8.35 million — closed yesterday, the US bank had received acceptances of 1.9 million Smith St Aubyn shares, or 8.97 per cent of the company. Irving holds no other shares of its own. The US bank said it could see "no justification for revising its offer and in the interests of removing uncertainty has accordingly decided to lapse its offer with immediate effect".

The directors of Smith St Aubyn initially recommended Irving's offer until King & Shaxon entered with a higher bid worth £12.8 million, forcing the directors to recommend that instead. At that stage Irving had received acceptances of 21.5 per cent of Smith St Aubyn shares, but withdrawals rapidly reduced the number.

King & Shaxon announced yesterday that it had so far received 36 per cent acceptance for its ordinary share offer and 5.6 per cent for its cash offer. The result gives the discount house control of 38.5 per cent of Smith St Aubyn shares, and the offer has been extended until May 20.



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CHANEL
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W German prices fall for the first time in 27 years

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Consumer prices in West Germany have fallen over the past 12 months — the first such decline for nearly 27 years. But no early relaxation of monetary policy is expected.

Final cost-of-living figures for April, given by the Federal Statistics Office yesterday, showed a fall of 0.1 per cent in the index. Compared with April 1985, the cost of living was down by 0.2 per cent, the first 12-month decline since June, 1959.

The 12-month rate of inflation in March was 0.1 per cent. The fall in the cost of living in Germany over the past year is largely because of lower oil prices.

In April the cost of heating oil and petrol fell by 4.2 per cent. Since April last year the price of heating oil and petrol has dropped by 30 per cent. The Federal Statistics Office said that, without this fall, the cost of living would have risen by 1.6 per cent over the past 12 months.

The central council of the Bundesbank, at its fortnightly meeting yesterday, left monetary policy and interest rates unaltered. Herr Karl Otto Pohl, president of the Bundesbank, has resisted domestic and international pressure for Germany to lead a new round of international interest rate cuts.

The discount rate was lowered from 4 to 3.5 per cent on March 7, but the Lombard rate has remained at 5.5 per cent since August.

The Bundesbank's reluctance to reduce rates is unlikely to be materially affected by the good news on the cost of living. The German authorities argue that interest rates need to be held, for reasons of domestic monetary control, and in line with last month's revaluation of the mark within the European Monetary System.

The benefits of the April 6 EMS realignment continue to come through. The Belgian National Bank announced yesterday that it is to reduce bank rate from 8.75 per cent to 8.5 per cent from Monday.

This will be the third reduction since the change in EMS parities agreed at Ootmarsum in the Netherlands last month.

Only West Germany is experiencing falling consumer prices, although this could occur in several countries in the near future. In March the Netherlands had an inflation rate of 0.7 per cent.

Laporte pay

Laporte Industries accounts for 1985 show that the salary of the chairman, Mr R M Ringwald, was £161,750 against £127,879 in 1984. In addition, he received an annual performance bonus of £117,115 (£86,142) and a further long-term performance bonus of £131,043, making a total of £409,908.

Offer success

The application list for the public offer of shares in Westbury closed oversubscribed.

£6m hotel

Beacontree Estates is to build a 124-room four-star hotel at Reading to be leased for 125 years to Norfolk Capital Hotels for £6 million.

Salomon man

Dr Peter Coym, a director of Commerzbank, is to join Salomon Brothers as head of its new West German subsidiary in Frankfurt.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	1765.67 (–22.08)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	15953.85 (+53.70)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1865.65 (+7.49)
Amsterdam: Gen	264.6 (–3.0)
Sydney: AO	1247.0 (+8.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	2098.9 (–22.4)
Brussels:	
General	669.00 (+31.61)
Paris: CAC	408.6 (+2.3)
Zurich:	
SKA General	499.50 (Same)

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10½%
3-month interbank 10⅞-10¾%
3-month eligible bills:10-9³¹/₃₂%
buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 8.50%
Federal Funds 6⅝%
3-month Treasury Bills 6.07-6.06%
30-year bonds 119²⁴/₃₂-²⁵/₃₂

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.5375	£: $1.5450
£: DM3.0827	$: DM2.2005
£: SwFr2.6229	$: Index: 114.1
£: FFr10.7779	
£: Yen2.8229	ECU £.976123
£ Index.76.3	SDR £1.16949

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

H Samuel	125p (+10p)
Pentland Industries	640p (+40p)
Park Place	333p (+23p)
United Comp Tech	165p (+25p)
Aspinall Holdings	158p (+12p)
Stainless Metalcraft	198p (+10p)
United Friendly Ins	508p (+12p)
Country Gents	1140p (+40p)
Molynx Holdings	95p (+9p)

FALLS:

Beecham	383p (–10p)
Glaxo	925p (–20p)
Natwest	890p (–15p)
Diploma	306p (–50p)
Electrocomponents	414p (–18p)
Eurotherm Int	230p (–25p)
Lex Service	379p (–13p)
Tozer Kemsley	206p (–11p)
Jaguar	478p (–18p)
S W Berisford	225p (–13p)
Hillsdown Holdings	300p (–11p)
Rowntree Mackintosh	513p (–17p)
Harris Queensway	248p (–26p)
Royal Bank Scotland	338p (–14p)
Prudential	838p (–15p)
Sun Life	842p (–25p)
MEPC	340p (–16p)
Mercantile House	334p (–13p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $342.15 pm $342.45
close $342.50-343.00 (£222.75-223.25)
New York:
Comex $344.00-344.50

WALL STREET

New York (Reuter) – Wall Street shares slid in early trading yesterday on concern over rising interest rates amid a large refunding by the US Treasury, traders said.

A statement by the Bank of Japan that it expects no immediate Japanese discount rate cut contributed to the bearishness.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 9.43 points to 1,778.52. Declining issues led advancing issues by a margin of five to three on 7.8 million shares traded.

The transportation average was down 2.57 points to 787.05, utilities fell 1.96 points to 181.77 and stocks, at 692.45, were down 3.85 points.

Datapoint, which on Tuesday dropped a leveraged buyout plan, led the active issues, up ⅛ to 5⅝. Sperry declined one to 70¼ and IBM fell two to 152½.

	May 6	May 5
AMR	57⅞	58
ASA	36⅞	37
Allied Signal	49⅞	50¼
Allied Strs	40⅝	40½
Allis Chlmrs	4⅝	4⅝
Alcoa	39⅞	39⅞
Amax Inc	14¼	14⅜
Am'rda Hs	22¼	21⅝
Am Brands	93	94
Am Brdcast	n/a	n/a
Am Can	72	71¼
Am Cynm'd	69⅛	68⅜
Am El Pwr	25⅝	26¼
Am Express	61	60⅝
Am Home	82	82
Am Hospital	n/a	n/a
Am Motors	4⅛	4⅛
Am St'nrd	41⅛	41⅛
Am Teleph	25⅛	25½
Amoco	61⅝	62¼
Armco Steel	10	10
Asarco	18⅛	18⅛
Ashland Oil	56⅝	55⅝
At Richfield	56⅛	58⅛
Avon Prods	33⅝	33
Bkrs Tst NY	46⅝	46⅝
Bankamer	17½	17⅞
Bk of Bston	34	34
Bank of NY	68⅝	64⅜
Beatrce Fds	n/a	n/a
Beth Steel	15⅝	15¼
Boeing	57⅝	57⅝
Bse Cascde	55	54⅜
Brden	58⅝	59⅝
Bg Warner	28	28⅛
Brist Myers	77⅛	77⅝
BP	34½	34½
Burl'ton Ind	39⅛	39⅝
Burl'ton Nth	66⅞	67½
Burroughs	63⅝	60
Cmpbell Sp	54	54⅜
Can Pacific	12⅝	12⅝
Caterpiller	51⅞	51⅛
Celanese	202¼	203⅝
Central SW	30⅞	30⅞
Champion	27⅝	27¼
Chase Man	44⅞	44⅞
Chm Bk NY	52¼	53
Chevron	39⅝	39⅝
Chrysler	39⅞	39⅛
Citicorp	58⅞	58⅝
Clark Equip	21½	22⅝
Coca Cola	109½	110⅝
Colgate	38⅞	38
CBS	133⅞	134⅞
C'mbia Gas	38⅞	39
Cmb'tn Eng	33⅞	34⅛
Comwlth Ed	31⅝	31⅞
Cons Edis	43½	43⅝
Cn Nat Gas	47⅞	47⅞
Cons Power	12½	12½
Cntrl Data	23⅝	22⅜
Corning Gl	70⅞	71½
CPC Intl	64	65⅝
Crane	30⅝	29⅞
Crn Zeller	48½	48⅝
Dart & Kraft	53	53
Deere	33⅝	33⅞
Delta Air	47⅛	46⅞
Detroit Ed	17⅛	17½
Digital Eq	176⅝	178⅝
Disney	45⅞	45⅝
Dow Chem	54	55⅝
Dresser Ind	16⅞	17⅝
Duke Power	41	41
Du Pont	76⅝	77
Eastern Air	8½	8½
Estm Kodak	57⅛	57⅝
Eaton Corp	71¼	71½
Emerson El	87⅝	87¼
Evans Prod	n/a	n/a
Exxon Corp	59⅞	59⅞
Fed Dpt Sts	74⅜	75⅝
Firestone	24	24
Fst Chicago	31½	31⅝
Fst Int Bncp	60⅝	60
Fst Penn C	8⅝	8⅝
Ford	73½	79
FT Wachva	42⅝	43⅝
GAF Corp	71⅝	71
GTE Corp	50⅝	50½
Gen Corp	70	70¼
Gen Dy'mcs	79⅞	78⅞
Gen Electric	77⅝	78¼
Gen Inst	21⅝	21⅝
Gen Mills	70½	71
Gen Motors	79⅝	80⅜
Gn Pb Ut ny	19½	19
Genesco	2⅝	2⅝
Georgia Pac	30⅝	30½
Gillete	89	90⅜
Goodrich	40⅝	39⅝
Goodyear	31⅝	31¼
Gould Inc	26⅜	26
Grace	55⅝	55⅝
Gt Atl & Tac	22⅞	22⅞
Gr'hnd	34⅞	34⅞
Gruman Cor	28⅝	27⅝
Gulf & West	55⅞	55⅜
Heinz H.J.	41	41⅝
Hercules	47¼	47⅝
H'lett-Pkrd	44⅞	45⅜
Honeywell	77⅝	76⅛
IC Inds	43⅝	43⅜
Ingersoll	60⅞	60¼
Inland Steel	23	23
IBM	154⅛	155½
Int Harvtr	n/a	n/a
INCO	13⅝	13⅝
Int Paper	56⅝	57
Int Tel Tel	46⅝	46⅝
Irving Bank	54⅝	54⅝
Jhnsn & Jhn	65⅝	65⅝
Kaiser Alum	21⅜	21½
Kerr McGee	28⅜	28⅝
Kmb'ly Clrk	79⅜	79⅝
K Mart	47⅜	46
Kroger	49⅝	49⅝
L.T.V. Corp	7⅝	7⅝
Lrton	85⅝	86⅛
Lockheed	56⅞	56⅝
Lucky Strs	26⅛	25⅝
Man H'nver	54⅞	53⅞
Manville Cp	2⅝	3⅛
Mapco	42⅝	42
Marine Mid	51	50⅜
Mrt Marietta	43	42⅝
Masco	55⅜	54⅝
McDonnell	81½	83
Mead	47	47⅜
Merck	177⅝	175½
Minsta Mng	102⅝	102⅝
Mobil Oil	29⅞	30⅜
Monsanto	59⅛	61⅝
Morgan J.P.	83½	82⅞
Motorola	46⅝	46⅜
NCR Corp	50½	50⅝
NL Indstrs	13⅛	13⅜
Nat Distrs	38⅝	39⅛
Nat Med Ent	23⅞	24
Nat Smcndt	14½	14⅝
Norfolk Sth	86	86
NW Bancrp	35	35⅛
Occidnt Pet	27	26⅞
Ogden	29⅝	28⅝
Olin Corp	43⅜	43⅜
Owens-Ill	69	69⅜
Pac Gas El	21½	21⅝
Pan Am	6⅞	6⅛
Penney J.C.	69½	67⅞
Pennzoil	50⅝	51⅝
Pepsico	88⅝	89⅜
Pfizer	60⅝	61¼
Phelps Dge	26⅜	26⅜
Philip Mrs	63¼	63⅝
Phillips Pet	9⅝	10⅝
Polaroid	62⅝	62
PPG Ind	65⅝	65⅝
Prctr Gmbl	72	72⅝
Pb S E & G	36⅝	36
Raytheon	63½	63⅝
RCA Corp	65⅝	65⅝
Rynlds Met	46⅝	46⅝
Rockwell Int	45⅝	45⅜
Royal Dutch	76⅝	76⅝
Safeways	37⅝	37¼
Sara Lee	58⅝	58⅝
SFE Sopac	35½	35⅝
SCM	n/a	n/a
Schl'berger	30⅞	30⅝
Scott Paper	57⅜	57¼
Seagram	58⅝	58
Sears Rbck	44½	43⅝
Shell Trans	45⅛	45⅝
Singer	51⅞	51⅝
Smthkin Bk	92	91⅝
Sony	22⅝	22⅝
Sth Cal Ed	30	30⅜
Sperry Corp	71⅜	57⅝
Std Oil Ohio	44⅝	46
Sterling Drg	44½	44½
Stevens JP	33⅝	34⅛
Sun Comp	46⅝	47
Teledyne	342⅞	343⅝
Tenneco	37⅞	37⅝
Texaco	32	32⅜
Texas E Cor	31⅝	32¼
Texas Inst	140	136⅝
Texas Utils	31½	32
Textron	58⅝	59⅝
Travlrs Cor	49½	49⅝
TRW Inc	95½	96⅝
UAL Inc	61⅝	61⅝
Unilever NV	172½	174
Un Carbide	23⅞	23⅞
Un Pac Cor	50⅝	50⅝
Utd Brands	26⅝	26⅝
US Steel	19⅞	20
Utd Technol	50½	50⅝
Unocal	22¼	22⅜
Jim Walter	42⅞	42⅝
Wrner Lmbt	58	55⅞
Wells Fargo	90⅝	89⅝
W'stghse El	54⅝	54⅞
Weyerh'ser	36⅝	36⅝
Whirlpool	71½	70⅝
Woolworth	75⅝	75⅝
Xerox Corp	60⅝	60⅝
Zenith	26⅛	28⅝

CANADIAN PRICES

Abitibi	n/a	24⅜
Alcn Alum	n/a	41⅝
Algoma Stl	n/a	17⅞
Bell Tele	n/a	n/a
Can Pacific	n/a	16⅝
Cominco	n/a	12⅝
Con Bathrst	n/a	28⅜
Gulf Oil	n/a	n/a
Hkr/Sid Can	n/a	29
Hdsn B Mln	n/a	32⅝
Imasco	n/a	35⅝
Imperial Oil	n/a	42⅝
In Pipe	n/a	43⅝
Mass-Ferg	n/a	330
Ryl Trustco	n/a	33⅝
Seagram	n/a	79⅝
Steel Co	n/a	25⅝
Thmsn N 'A'	n/a	29⅝
Wlkr Hram	n/a	36⅝
WCT	n/a	14

● Ex div a Asked c Ex distribution h Bid k Market closed n New issue p Stock split t Traded y Unquoted

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range May 6	Market rates close May 6	1 month	3 months
N York	1.5225-1.5445	1.5345-1.5350	0.53-0.50prem	1.35-1.31prem
Montreal	2.1047-2.1181	2.1137-2.1181	0.43-0.33prem	0.89-0.75prem
Ams'dam	3.7977-3.8375	3.8260-3.8316	1⅛-1⅛prem	4⅜-4⅛prem
Brussels	68.72-69.72	69.20-69.40	15-10prem	43-33prem
C'phgen	12.5150-12.6436	12.5256-12.5481	4⅞-3⅞prem	12-9prem
Dublin	1.1069-1.1151	1.1120-1.1130	par-8	2prem-9dis
Frankfurt	3.3685-3.4020	3.3906-3.3953	1⅝-1⅝prem	5-4⅝prem
Lisbon	216.98-227.62	217.76-227.11	135-370dis	715-2060dis
Madrid	214.50-215.98	215.30-215.75	25-65dis	85-200dis
Milan	2307.70-2337.20	2325.50-2331.63	1-5dis	9-16dis
Oslo	10.6891-10.8737	10.7345-10.7568	15⅜-17⅜dis	25⅜-27⅜dis
Paris	10.7370-10.8370	10.7981-10.8205	2⅜-2⅜prem	7⅝-7prem
St'kdlm	10.8200-10.9078	10.8684-10.8919	⅛-1⅛dis	1⅛-3⅛dis
Tokyo	254.61-256.86	255.05-255.45	1½-1⅜prem	3⅝-3½prem
Vienna	23.76-24.04	23.82-23.88	13-11½prem	33-29½prem
Zurich	2.8120-2.8436	2.8301-2.8358	1⅝-1⅝prem	4½-4⅛prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 76.3 (day's range 76.2-76.4).
Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.2852-1.2880
Australia dollar	2.0818-2.0852
Bahrain dinar	0.5720-0.5760
Brazil cruzado*	21.06-21.20
Cyprus pound	0.7600-0.7700
Finland marka	7.6390-7.6790
Greece drachma	210.00-212.00
Hong Kong dollar	11.955-11.967
India rupee	18.70-18.90
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4360-0.4400
Malaysia dollar	3.9326-3.9399
Mexico peso	780-830
New Zealand dollar	2.6255-2.6363
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.5390-5.5790
Singapore dollar	3.3778-3.3832
South Africa rand	3.1987-3.2145
U A E dirham	5.5740-5.5790

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3800-1.3830
Singapore	2.2020-2.2040
Malaysia	2.5670-2.5700
Australia	0.7352-0.7359
Canada	1.3790-1.3800
Sweden	7.0900-7.1000
Norway	7.0050-7.0150
Denmark	8.1675-8.1725
West Germany	2.2090-2.2105
Switzerland	1.8430-1.8450
Netherlands	2.4920-2.4950
France	7.050-7.060
Japan	166.20-166.30
Italy	1514.5-1516.5
Belgium(Comm)	45.08-45.10
Hong Kong	7.7940-7.7960
Portugal	147.50-148.00
Spain	140.20-140.30
Austria	15.52-15.54

The prices and unit trust quotations on this page refer to Tuesday's trading

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10%
Finance House 11½

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10½ Low 8
Week fixed: 10%

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mnth 10⅛; 3 mnth 10
Selling: 2 mnth 10³⁄₁₆; 3 mnth 9⅞

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⅝-10¹¹⁄₃₂ 2 mnth 10⁷⁄₃₂-10³⁄₁₆
3 mnth 10-9³¹⁄₃₂ 6 mnth 9⁷⁄₁₆-9⅝

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 11 2 mnth 10²⁷⁄₃₂
3 mnth 10⅝ 6 mnth 10¹⁄₁₆

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 11 close 8½
1 week 11¹⁄₁₆-10¹⁵⁄₁₆ 6 mnth 9¹⁵⁄₁₆-9¹¹⁄₁₆
1 mnth 10¹³⁄₁₆-10⅝ 9 mnth 9¹³⁄₁₆-9¹¹⁄₁₆
3 mnth 10⅝-10⅝ 12 mth 9⅝-9⅝

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 10⅝ 7 days 10⅝
1 mnth 10¹¹⁄₁₆ 3 mnth 10⁹⁄₁₆
6 mnth 9⅝ 12 mth 9⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 11⅛-11 2 mnth 10⅞-10⅝
3 mnth 10⅝-10⅛ 6 mnth 10⅛-10
9 mnth 9⅝-9⅝ 12 mth 9⅝-9⅝

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 10¹³⁄₁₆-10¹¹⁄₁₆ 3 mnth 10⅝-10⅝
6 mnth 9⅝-9⅝ 12 mth 9⅝-9⅝

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.75-6.70 3 mnth 6.70-6.65
6 mnth 6.65-6.60 12 mth 6.75-6.70

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar
7 days 6⅞-6¹³⁄₁₆ call 7⅛-6⅝
3 mnth 6¹³⁄₁₆-6¹¹⁄₁₆ 1 mnth 6⅞-6⅞
6 mnth 6¹³⁄₁₆-¹¹⁄₁₆

Deutschmark
7 days 4⅝-4⅛ call 5-4
3 mnth 4⅝-4½ 1 mnth 4⅝-4½
6 mnth 4⁹⁄₁₆-4⁷⁄₁₆

French Franc
7 days 8-7⅝ call 2⅜-1½
3 mnth 7⅝-7½ 1 mnth 8-7⅝
6 mnth 7⅝-7½

Swiss Franc
7 days 3⅝-3⅜ call 8-7
3 mnth 4⅜-4⅜ 1 mnth 4⅝-4½
6 mnth 4⅜-4

Yen
7 days 4⅝-4⅝ call 5⅛-4⅞
3 mnth 4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆ 1 mnth 4⅝-4⅝
6 mnth 4⁹⁄₁₆-4⁷⁄₁₆

GOLD

Gold:$340.50-341.00
Krugerrand* (per coin): $341.25-342.75 (£222.50-223.50)
Sovereigns* (new): $81.00-82.50 (£52.75-53.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period April 2, 1986 to May 6, 1986 inclusive: 10.524 per cent.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Jun 86	90.26	90.32	90.17	90.18	2283
Sep 86	91.11	91.14	91.02	91.03	427
Dec 86	91.35	91.40	91.30	91.30	237
Mar 87	91.33	91.33	91.24	91.24	28
Jun 87	91.17	91.17	91.17	91.10	4
Sep 87	N/T			90.89	0
Previous day's total open interest 19163					
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous day's total open interest 20750			
Jun 86	93.35	93.36	90.32	93.34	2184
Sep 86	93.37	93.39	93.33	93.35	2136
Dec 86	93.27	93.28	93.22	93.23	412
Mar 87	93.05	93.06	93.01	93.01	89
US Treasury Bond		Previous day's total open interest 6053			
Jun 86	100-17	101-02	100-12	100-24	5906
Sep 86	100-00	100-04	99-30	99-31	24
Dec 86	N/T			99-08	0
Short Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 1405			
Jun 86	103-25	103-25	103-10	103-10	176
Sep 86	103-40	103-40	103-40	103-30	10
Dec 86	N/T				0
Long Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 13475			
Jun 86	126-27	127-06	125-22	125-23	4867
Sep 86	127-12	127-12	127-03	126-31	59
Dec 86	N/T			126-30	0
Mar 87	N/T			126-26	0
FT-SE 100		Previous day's total open interest 1749			
Jun 86	167.70	167.95	163.00	163.10	520
Sep 86	167.00	167.00	167.00	165.35	2

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (Raw) FOB	
Aug	195.0-94.6
Oct	198.6-98.4
Dec	203.6-02.0
March	204.6-04.0
May	208.2-07.4
Aug	211.4-10.0
Vol	1152

COCOA	
May	1280-76
July	1281-80
Sept	1307-05
Dec	1345-42
March	1373-70
May	1390-88
July	1410-09
Vol	3078

COFFEE	
May	2115-101
July	2159-156
Sept	2210-205
Nov	2261-260
Jan	2325-315
March	2440-420
May	2470-435
Vol	4568

SOYABEAN	
June	126.0-26.5
Aug	122.7-23.3
Oct	123.4-23.7
Dec	124.3-24.8
Feb	unquoted
April	127.5-29.0
June	127.5-28.5
Vol	762

GAS OIL	
May	153.75-53.50
June	137.50-37.25
July	133.00-32.25
Aug	130.50-30.25
Sept	132.00-31.00
Oct	132.50-31.00
Nov	132.00-31.00
Dec	135.50-31.00
Jan	140.00-27.00
Vol	3647

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE	
Cash	942-943
Three months	n/a
Vol	n/a
Tone	Easier
STANDARD CATHODES	
Cash	924-943
Three Months	
Vol	n/a
Tone	idle
TIN	
Cash	suspended
Three Months	
Vol	
Tone	
LEAD	
Cash	241.0-241.5
Three Months	247.75-248.0
Vol	n/a
Tone	idle
ZINC STANDARD	
Cash	n/a
Three Months	
Vol	
Tone	
ZINC HIGH GRADE	
Cash	461-462
Three Months	470-471
Vol	
Tone	Steadier
SILVER LARGE	
Cash	334-335
Three Months	342-343
Vol	
Tone	idle
SILVER SMALL	
Cash	334-335
Three Months	342-343
Vol	
Tone	idle
ALUMINIUM	
Cash	768-769
Three Months	342-343
Vol	
Tone	idle
NICKEL	
Cash	2620-2630
Three Months	2675-2676
Vol	
Tone	Barely Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets

GB: Cattle, 99.43p per kg lw (+0.83)
GB: Sheep 269.23p per kg est d c w (-7.10)
GB: Pigs. 77.93p per kg lw (+0.47)

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 1.4 %, ave. price, 98.38p(+0.61)
Sheep nos. up 22.5 %, ave. price, 269.13p(-8.14)
Pig nos. up 16.0 %, ave. price, 77.56p(+0.16)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 7.2 %, ave. price, 101.83p(+0.49)
Sheep nos. down 18.3 %, ave. price, 270.58p(+3.09)
Pig nos. up 9.0 %, ave. price, 80.76p(+3.72)

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
May	118.15	114.50
July	117.50	
Sept	99.60	98.45
Nov	102.30	101.65
Jan	105.30	104.90
Mar	108.15	107.50

Volume: Wheat 198; Barley 52

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Pig Meat p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
June	101.3	101.0
July	101.5	101.5
Aug	101.8	101.0
Sept	108.2	108.2
Oct	108.5	108.5
Nov	110.1	110.0
Jan	101.5	101.5
Feb	101.5	101.5
March	101.3	101.5
April	101.5	101.5

Vol: 4

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Beef Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
May	unq'ted	unq'ted
June	189.5	189.5
July	183.0	183.0
Aug	182.5	182.5
Sept	181.0	181.0

Vol: 0

LONDON POTATO FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
May	158.00	152.80
Nov	94.00	91.80
Feb	101.50	100.50
Apr	124.00	123.40
May	137.50	135.80

Vol: 668

BIFFEX

G.R.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point
Freight index

	High/Low	Close
Jul 86	642.5-635.0	641.3
Oct 86	728.0-725.8	727.5
Jan 87	745.0-744.0	747.5
Apr 87	795.0-788.0	795.0
Jul 87	710.0-710.0	710.0
Oct 87		780.0
Jan 88		787.5
Apr 88		845.0

Spot:654.5
Vol: 104 lots

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	Close
May 86	915.0-915.0	922.5
Jan 86		873.0
Jul 86		870.0
Sep 86		990.0
Dec 86		980.0
Mar 87		1005.0

Vol: 27 lots
Open interest 34

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
116	84	Alsa	116	+1	3.1b	2.7	45.0
771	663	Alliance	743	●-2	29.6	4.0	35.5
149	131	Amer Trust	137	●+1	4.4	3.2	38.2
358	286	Ang Amer Sec	354	-2	8.9	2.5	55.7
190	149	Ashdown	181	..	4.4	2.4	57.3
120	107	Atlantic Assets	107	..	0.8	0.7	..
120	98	Bankers	120	●+1	3.9b	3.3	45.1
240	159	Berry	240	+3	1.5b	0.6	..
62½	53	Br Assets	58½	●..	2.7	4.6	32.7
53	31	Br Empire Sec	44	●-½	0.7	1.6	60.8
448	364	Br Inv	436	+7	21.7	5.0	28.9
102	80	Brunner	100	-2	3.1	3.1	48.5
790	635	Continental	780	..	30.0b	3.8	37.2
220	139	Crescent Japan	220	+3	0.5	0.2	..
139	108	Derby Inc	138	..	12.0	8.7	18.6
143	110	Do Cap	136	..	..	..	..
364	314	Drayton Cons	358	+2	14.3	4.0	35.2
188	134	Drayton Far East	188	+2	1.6	0.9	..
637	420	Drayton Japan	637	+3	1.4	0.2	..
208	176	Dundee Lon	202	+2	7.7	3.8	35.9
117	103	Edin Amer Asset	108	..	0.9	0.8	84.4
150	119	Edinburgh	145	..	4.7	3.2	42.4
374	284	Electric Gen	373	..	5.6b	1.5	84.8
152	136	English Int	149	..	5.0	3.4	44.1
93½	75	English Scot	93	..	2.0	2.2	58.4
132	110	English NY	129	+1	3.6	2.8	51.6
150	119	Ensign	150	●+3	2.0	1.3	83.3
107	85	F & C Alliance	105	+1	2.5	2.4	59.3
190	142	F & C Pacific	188	●+1	2.1	1.1	71.3
277	237	Family	270	●+3	11.8	4.4	31.4
348	287	First Scot Amer	342	+2	14.3	4.2	32.8
120	95	First Un Gen	110	..	8.7	7.9	9.3
558	480	Fleming American	537	+2	8.2	1.5	88.0
193	145	Fleming Claver	180	+2	7.3	4.1	34.6
345	284	Fleming Enterprise	340	..	12.5b	3.8	41.6
124	84½	Fleming Far East	118	..	1.5	1.3	..
140	109	Fleming Fledgling	137	..	3.6	2.6	52.9
687	480	Fleming Japan	687	●+3	5.7	0.8	..
149½	123	Fleming Mercantile	149½	●+1½	5.1	3.4	38.8
147	123	Fleming Overseas	141	+2	3.9	2.8	48.7
162	143	Fleming Tech	157	+1	3.3	2.1	68.8
397	322	Fleming Universal	395	..	8.8	2.2	64.2
90½	88	For Col	87	●+1½	2.1	2.4	58.8
109	82	GBC Capital	104	..	..	..	..
179	118	GT Japan	177	+2	2.0b	1.1	..
156	136	General Funds	156	●..	2.9	1.9	80.7
330	275	General Cons	330	+15	15.9	4.8	29.0
142	115	Glasgow Stock	142	+6	3.3	2.3	58.0
368	291	Globe	352	+2	14.5	4.7	33.8
147	127	Govett Atlantic	138	+1	4.0	2.9	43.6
195	138	Govett Oriental	185	..	3.3	1.8	79.1
231	184	Govett Strategy	228	●+1	5.1	2.2	64.8
330	244	Greenfriar	327	+2	2.4	0.7	..
250	230	Gresham House	235	..	6.3	2.7	28.0
194	138	Hambros	187	+1	6.1	3.3	42.6
307	283	Hill (P)	298	+2	13.8	4.7	30.3
640	540	Invest in Success	637	..	8.2	1.3	85.1
284	244	Inv Cap	282	..	6.6b	2.3	60.1
58	45	Japan Assets	57½	+½	0.1	0.2	..
101	80	Kleinwort Charter	89	..	.. b		..
233	188	Law Debenture	229	●..	9.0	3.9	27.8
70	56	Lon Merchant Sec	61	..	3.2	5.2	15.6
71	61	Lon Trust	65	..	6.1a	9.4	22.0
128	102	Merchants	121	●+1	6.1	5.0	31.9
197	161	Monks	193	+2	3.4b	1.8	69.2
158	128	Murray Income	158	+1	7.7a	4.9	29.3
165	137	Murray Intl	165	+1	7.1b	4.3	35.2
294	215	Murray Small	294	+2	3.9a	1.3	..
378	318	Murray Venture	377	●	10.0b	2.7	51.9
439	390	New Court	437	●+2	21.3	4.9	30.3
65	49	New Darien Oil	51	●+1	0.9	1.8	50.0
189	158	928	181	●..	5.7	3.1	35.2
57½	50½	Nthrhog Inc $3	58	..	4.2b	7.5	20.0
248	185	New Tokyo	233	..	1.1	0.5	..
329	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	318	●+1	4.8	1.5	88.6
81	48	Nth Sea Assets	48	..	0.7	1.5	55.8
352	279	Nthn Amer	350	+2	7.7	2.2	64.0
178	145	Outwich	168	-1	4.4	2.6	48.7
77	66	Pacific Assets	76	+1	1.0	1.3	91.6
38	33	Do Wrnts	36	..	..	..	..
42	37	Personal Assets	41	+1	0.3	0.7	..
402	338	Raeburn	402	+2	15.0	3.7	40.8
171	147	River & Merc	170	+1	8.8	5.1	31.3
258	216	River Plate	251	..	12.1	4.8	29.1
247	207	Robeco	239	..	..	..	..
218	161	Rolinco	216	..	..	..	..
322	267	Romney	322	+1	7.1	2.2	49.3
15½	11½	Rorento	213½	..	..	..	..
133	116	St Andrews	133	+1	4.1	3.1	45.2
345	297	Scottish	345	+1	8.5	2.5	59.5
307	273	Scot American	301	..	9.7b	3.2	42.3
113	89	Scot Eastern	108	●..	2.9	2.7	58.5
420	390	Scot Merc 'A'	402	..	25.0	6.2	20.2
515	402	Scot Mtge	513	..	12.1	2.4	55.3
315	245	Scot Nat	315	+3	6.9	2.2	59.0
670	570	Second Alliance	647	+1	24.6n	3.8	33.2
170	138	Sec Of Scotland	168	..	7.1	4.2	30.8
79	67	Smaller Cos	77	+1	2.0	2.6	53.8
38½	36	Stewart Enterp.	36	..	0.6	1.7	..
93	82	TR Australia	93	+2	3.3	3.5	32.7
122	95	TR City Of Lon Dfd	117	●+1	5.6b	4.8	32.6
139	155	TR Ind & Gen	195	+2	5.4b	2.8	51.7
226	202	TR Natural Res	210	+4	10.7	5.1	28.7
131	98	TR North America	96	+3	2.8b	2.7	48.2
181	118	TR Pacific Basin	181	●+2	1.4	0.8	..
170	140	TR Property	170	+2	3.3	3.1	42.3
118	90½	TR Tech	108	+1	2.5	2.3	58.0
174	138	TR Trustees	160	+1	6.3b	3.9	37.4
189	135	Temple Bar	167	..	7.6	4.6	28.2
303	237	Throgmorton	297	..	11.9	4.0	36.5
358	300	Throg Secured Cap	358	..	..	..	..
205	157½	Trans Oceanic	186	●-3	5.5	2.9	48.1
141	112	Tribune	131	..	3.9	3.0	37.5
94	79	Triplevest Inc	87	..	15.8	18.2	7.9
265	217	US Debenture	259	+2	9.3	3.6	51.9
62	35	Wiking Resources	42	+2	2.9	6.9	20.1
74	62	Westpool	64	..	2.2	3.4	40.0
98	85	Wetherbottom Egg	98	..	3.3	3.4	41.3
210	161	Witan	197	-3	4.2	2.1	70.4
340	286	Yeoman	332	..	13.7b	4.1	34.2

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47⅞	35¼	American Express	£39⅛	-⅛	..	..	..
71	31	Argyle	54½	+1	1.4	2.6	28.1
49	21	Boustead	29	+1	..	..	78.4
159	131	Britannia Arrow	134	●+1	8.0	4.5	14.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Daily Mail	217½	..	89.3	4.0	12.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do 'A'	217½	..	89.3	4.0	12.2
156	131	Electra	151	+1	5.4	3.6	38.4
102	88	Eng Trust	102	+2	4.0	3.9	14.1
247	187	Exco	232	●..	4.6	2.0	19.0
93	66	Exploration	93	..	3.0	3.2	18.0
660	375	Framlington	610	..	9.3	1.5	28.4
97	77	Frost Gp	92	+2	6.4	7.0	9.9
102	77	Goode (D & M)	91	-2	2.5	2.7	26.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Henderson Admin	215½	..	25.7b	1.7	21.9
218	183	ICH	211	●+1	12.9b	5.1	8.7
440	320	IMI	415	●+6	22.9	..	10.8
860	760	M & G	800	..	21.4	2.7	24.3
362	264	Mercantile House	348	+5	18.6	5.4	9.4
99	76	Pacific Inv Tst	93½	+1	0.5	0.5	87.6
26	15	Do Warrants	25	..	..	..	..
206	159	Smith Brothers	184	+1	9.3	5.1	21.6

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	123.6	130.7	..	9.18
High Inc Equity	95.8	101.9●	+0.6	4.86
Worldwide Bond	175.6	189.4●	-1.2	5.12
American Growth	158.9	169.9	+1.3	2.56
Asian Pacific	41.8	44.9	+0.4	2.78
Assets & Earns	98.2	105.0●	+0.4	1.57
Capital Reserve	65.1	65.5	-0.1	1.54
Comm & Energy	65.7	70.2	-0.3	2.68
European Capital	87.8	93.4●	-0.3	1.81
General	139.5	149.1	+0.3	2.85
Japan	69.0	73.8	+2.0	..
UK Growth Inc	94.0	101.0●	+0.5	1.52
Do Accum	134.9	145.0●	+0.8	1.06
US Emerging Co's	57.4	61.4	+0.9	0.42
Equitas Progress	194.4	207.0●	+0.7	3.17
Masterfut.Acc	61.8	65.7	+0.5	1.52
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	228.6	243.5	+1.3	3.16
Growth & Income	139.4	148.5●	+0.7	3.08
Capital Trust	236.3	251.6●	+0.7	2.80
Balanced	369.7	393.7	+1.2	2.88
Accum Trust	560.3	596.7	+3.2	2.94
American Income	30.4	32.4	+0.3	4.77
High Income Tst	253.8	270.2	+0.9	4.61
Equity Income	141.3	150.5	+0.7	4.67
High Yield	145.6	155.1●	+0.8	5.34
Govt Secs Trust	30.3	31.6●	-0.4	9.11
International	76.8	81.6	-0.4	1.09
Japan Fund	94.2	100.3	+1.6	0.01
Pacific Trust	154.3	164.3	+2.8	1.09
Amer Spcl Sits	64.2	68.4●	..	1.20
Secs Of Amer Tst	207.1	220.6c	+2.1	0.71
Ald Asset Value	233.3	248.5	+1.8	3.05
Gilt Growth	38.0	39.5●	-0.1	2.86
Smaller Co's	118.5	126.2	+0.7	2.60
2nd Smaller Co's	155.6	165.9	+1.4	2.42
Recovery Trust	83.3	88.7●	+0.6	2.11
Met Min & Cmdty	80.2	85.5●	..	2.32
O'seas Earnings	190.0	202.3	+0.8	2.93
Technology Tst	91.7	97.7●	..	0.82
Income Exempt	131.5	139.4	+1.8	5.09
Exempt Smaller Co's	225.6	239.1●	+2.1	2.65
USA Exempt Trust	325.7	345.2	+2.8	1.39
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES 131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9876 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	58.2	63.3	-0.7	1.57
Do Accum	68.1	70.8	-1.0	1.57
Eastern & Intl	118.2	126.4	+1.4	0.81
Do 6% Withdrawal	63.4	67.8	+0.8	0.91
Finance & Property	61.1	65.3	-0.1	2.30
Gilt & Fixed Income	49.5	52.2●	+0.1	8.34
Do Accum	83.0	87.3●	+0.2	8.34
Equity Income	78.2	81.4●	..	4.80
Do Accum	179.1	191.5●	..	4.80
High Yield Income	74.9	80.1	+0.1	7.62
Do Accum	193.8	207.3	+0.2	7.62
Intl Accum	73.5	78.8	+0.1	2.34
Do 5% Withdrwl	69.8	74.6	..	2.34
Managed Fund	58.4	62.6	-0.2	..
Preference Income	30.3	32.3●	+0.2	9.80
Do Accum	95.9	102.5●	+0.6	9.80
Smaller Co's Accum	141.4	151.2●	+0.7	1.36
World Penny Share	10.0	10.6	..	1.14
Portfolio Tst UK	78.2	81.0	-0.6	1.59
Portfolio Tst Japan	86.2	91.3	+1.1	0.10
Portfolio Tst US	69.2	71.7	-0.3	1.09
Portfolio Tst Europe	104.4	108.1	-0.4	0.10
Portfolio Tst HK	38.6	40.0	-0.1	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD 3, Glenfinlas St. Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-225 2581 (Dealers:031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (22)	415.7	433.7	..	1.17
Japan Ex (43)	342.3	357.1	..	0.26
UK Ex (31)	220.3	234.5●	..	1.50
P'sal Pens Intl	448.0	471.6	..	..
P'sal Pens UK	199.0	209.8	..	..
BG America	158.6	169.7	..	0.55
BG Energy	118.5	126.1	..	1.58
BG Income Grwth	200.7	213.6	..	5.01
BG Japan	152.5	162.3	..	0.00
BG Technology	158.7	168.9●	..	1.97
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS 25/26 Albemarle Street. London W1X 4AD 01-491 0295				
American	48.1	51.5	+0.3	0.82
Australian	20.2	21.7	+0.2	2.67
Japan & General	93.2	99.7	+1.6	0.17
High Income	48.1	49.4	+0.4	7.24
International Trust	73.2	80.5	..	1.08
Income Gth Tst	47.3	50.6	+0.2	4.14
Gilts & Fixed Int	68.9	71.5	+0.8	5.38
Global Markets	35.5	38.0●	+0.3	1.93
Special Situations	41.0	43.9●	+0.2	1.48
BARCLAYS UNICORN Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5544				
America	82.8	88.0c	+0.9	1.70
Aust Accum	139.0	147.8	+1.2	1.82
Do Income	99.2	105.5	+0.8	1.82
Capital	70.5	74.9	+0.3	2.85
Exempt Trust	428.3	453.5●	..	3.86
Extra Income	78.3	81.1●	+0.8	5.17
Financial	235.5	251.6●	+1.1	2.96
500	265.3	282.2	+1.3	3.01
General	138.2	147.0●	+0.5	3.07
Gilt & Fixed Inc	57.0	60.0	-0.1	9.15
Japan & Gen Inc	141.3	150.3	+4.1	0.18
Do Acc	142.8	152.0	+4.1	0.18
Growth Accum	180.0	191.4	+0.6	2.43
Income Trust	334.8	355.9	+1.2	3.52
Leisure Trust	79.9	84.9	+0.2	1.32
Special Situations	141.0	150.0	+0.7	2.26
Recovery	198.4	208.7	+1.1	2.54
Trustee Fund	109.6	116.5	+0.5	2.87
Univ Tech Accum	52.4	55.7	+0.7	0.30
Do Income	52.1	55.4	+0.7	0.30
Worldwide Trust	143.9	153.0	+0.8	0.91
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	328.8	349.7●	+1.7	3.23
Do Inc	213.1	226.6●	+1.1	3.23
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 01-658 9002				
Australia	58.6	62.6●	..	0.30
Eastern	51.1	54.6	+0.1	0.30
Equity Income	56.3	60.5●	+0.6	5.80
Europe	112.1	119.2	+0.5	0.80
Growth & Inc	63.4	68.1	-0.2	2.80
Japan Special	87.8	93.8	+0.2	0.30
Japan Sunrise	80.9	86.5	+0.1	0.30
First Europe	99.0	105.3●	-0.9	0.80
First Japan	74.2	79.3●	+1.3	0.30
First N Amer	48.4	51.7	+0.6	1.80
First Smaller Co's	66.1	70.0●	+0.1	2.70
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT 10, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Planned Inv	121.4	129.2	..	2.12
European Inc	86.7	91.0	+0.7	1.19
Do Accum	106.2	111.2	+0.8	1.19
General Inc	157.5	167.2	+1.0	2.92
Do Accum	213.3	228.1	+1.4	2.92
Gilt Yield Inc	120.6	124.4	+0.5	8.83
Do Accum	189.4	195.3	+0.9	8.86
High Yield Inc	87.6	93.2●	+0.4	5.36
Do Accum	172.4	183.5	+0.9	5.38
Japan Income	211.1	224.4●	+2.2	1.84
Do Accum	211.8	222.9●	+0.7	1.84
N American Inc	45.1	49.0	-0.2	0.90
Do Accum	53.3	56.7	-0.2	0.90
Pacific Income	117.6	123.7●	-0.1	0.13
Do Accum	132.5	139.2	..	0.13
Smlr Co's Inc	75.7	80.6	+0.4	1.73
Do Accum	89.1	94.8●	+0.5	1.73
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST 74-78 Finsbury Pavement London EC2A 1JD 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9 MoneyGuide 0800-010-333				
Growth Gilt	59.1	60.0	+0.1	0.41
Intl Recovery	111.5	118.2●	+1.2	2.48
Smaller Co's	140.5	149.9	+1.2	1.30
UK Growth	38.3	40.8●	+0.2	1.98
Extra Inc	62.8	67.1	+0.6	6.68
Gilt	27.9	29.4	..	7.24
Inc & Growth	202.2	215.7●	+2.1	4.13
Nat High Inc	200.3	213.7●	+2.1	4.58
Pref Shares	19.6	20.9c	+0.1	9.51
Commodity	117.3	125.1●	-0.2	2.77
Financial Secs	45.7	48.7	+0.3	2.17
Gold & Gen	16.8	18.1	+0.2	3.78
Intl Leisure	15.8	16.9	+0.3	0.54
Prop Shares	61.8	65.6	+0.2	1.12
Univ Energy	38.4	41.0	+1.0	1.81
World Tech	43.7	46.6	+0.7	0.81
Amer Growth	92.3	98.5	+1.6	3.41
Amer Income	56.4	60.2●	+0.6	5.49
Amer Smaller Co's	23.8	25.4	+0.3	0.55
Aus Growth	73.1	78.0●	-0.1	1.55
Euro Smaller	14.5	15.5	-0.1	0.22
Far East	42.4	45.2	+0.9	0.88
Hong Kong Prf	23.8	25.5	+0.3	2.60
Intl Growth	33.5	35.8●	..	1.84
Japan Perf	59.8	63.8	+1.7	..
Japan Smaller	14.2	15.1	+0.4	..
Exempt	85.1	89.1●	+0.5	3.63
Exempt Market	84.7	67.7	..	4.14
BROWN SHIPLEY 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	124.8	134.2	+1.0	2.15
Growth Accum	205.6	221.1●	-1.2	..
Do Income	131.7	141.6●	-0.8	1.79
High Income	67.7	72.9	+2.9	6.28
Income	77.0	82.8●	+0.4	5.28
Man Portfolio Inc	83.7	89.5	..	4.29
Do Acc	108.8	114.9	..	..
North American	59.3	63.7	+0.9	1.25
Orient	72.9	78.4●	+1.7	0.20
Recovery	42.2	45.4c	+0.4	3.32
Technology	144.0	154.8●	+1.8	0.80
German	30.9	33.3●	-1.3	1.96
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	215.8	228.2	..	3.21
Do Accum (4)	338.8	358.1	..	3.21
Income Fund (3)	103.0	107.4●	..	5.43
Do Accum (3)	180.8	188.5●	..	5.43
Intl Inc (2)	118.8	125.1	-0.1	1.67
Do Accum (2)	158.4	165.1	-0.3	1.67
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.35	12.04	..	2.77
Do Accum (5)	£11.39	12.71	..	2.77
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	75.2	80.0	+0.4	0.27
CANNON FUND MANAGERS 1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	283.0	303.8	+0.4	2.86
Income	329.2	350.2	+1.6	3.98
Far East	176.3	186.8●	+1.5	0.40
North American	139.5	148.4●	+1.1	0.73
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ 01-621 0011				
Capital	363.6	388.9●	..	1.88
Income	289.9	310.1●	..	4.30
North American	262.1	280.4●	-0.8	1.36
CATER ALLEN 1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	107.1	114.3●	+0.8	10.47
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENG 77 London Wall EC2 1DB 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	418.75		..	4.12
Fixed Int	152.6		..	9.37
Deposit	100.0		..	11.25
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DB 01-588 1815				
Income	381.3	●	..	4.67
Accum	£10.9828		..	..
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373393				
Amer Growth	25.0	26.8	..	1.90
Equity High Income	43.4	46.2	..	4.20
European Growth	25.2	26.9	..	2.00
General Equity	39.1	41.6	..	2.80
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	30.1	32.1	..	3.20
Gilt & Fixed Inc	25.6	27.3	..	9.50
Index Securities	25.0	25.7●	..	2.30
Japan Growth	27.3	29.1	..	0.90
COUNTY BANK UNIT TRUSTS 161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Capital Accum	275.3	292.8●	+0.7	1.62
Energy Trust	43.0	45.7	+0.9	4.09
Extra Income	168.2	178.8●	+1.0	4.79
Financial	158.9	169.9	+2.3	2.69
Gilt Strategy	56.5	59.2c	..	1.30
Growth Investment	287.2	305.7	+1.2	2.31
Income & Growth	41.0	43.6●	+0.4	4.38
Japanese & Pacific	136.1	144.7	+3.2	0.54
Nth Amer Growth	100.5	106.9●	+0.6	0.86
Intl Recovery	110.1	117.1	+0.3	1.57
Smaller Co's	199.3	212.0	+2.6	1.90
Global Inc Tst	56.6	60.4	-0.8	5.74
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	240.0	256.7●	+0.1	5.09
Growth Trust	227.8	243.6	-0.2	2.95
American Trust	128.0	136.8	+1.2	0.73
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3492				
American Fund	68.9	73.7	+0.8	2.31
Capital Fund	93.1	99.6●	+1.4	1.71
Growth & Inc Fund	134.1	143.4	+0.8	4.18
High Dist Fund	108.1	115.6●	+0.6	5.84
International Fund	182.8	195.5	+2.7	1.15
Resources Fund	20.0	21.4	..	0.47
Smllr Jap Co's Fnd	31.5	33.7	+0.9	..
Tokyo Fund	134.3	143.6	+3.2	0.17
(Ex) Amer (2)	140.2	144.6●	-2.1	2.05
(Ex) Japan (3)	88.6	88.6	..	0.24
(Ex) Pacific (4)	248.5	251.4	..	0.41
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	177.2	180.0	..	0.10
Eurofund	25.1	26.8	..	3.73
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	71.3	76.0	..	2.53
Do Accum	71.3	76.0	..	2.53
UK Growth Accum	80.3	85.6●	..	1.31
UK High Inc Inc	64.8	68.9●	+0.7	4.12
N American Accum	61.9	66.0	+0.4	1.52
Far Eastern Accum	76.3	81.4	+1.2	0.61
European Accum	72.8	77.6	-0.8	1.13
UK Gilt & FI Inc	56.5	60.3	-0.3	8.29
Do Accum	56.5	60.3	-0.3	8.29
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB 0708-66966				
Endurance	102.6	109.6	..	3.28
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION 35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	75.0	79.8●	-0.3	3.19
High Income Trust	75.6	80.7●	+0.7	4.84
Gilt & Fixed Int	56.3	59.9	+0.2	7.92
Tst Of Inv Trusts	64.8	69.0	+0.1	1.90
Special Sits Trust	78.2	83.2	+0.2	2.29
Nth Amer Trust	57.4	61.1	+0.2	1.80
Far Eastern Trust	73.2	77.9	+1.0	0.71
EQUITY & LAW St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1QD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	148.1	157.5●	+0.9	3.35
Do Income	128.6	136.8●	-1.2	3.35
Higher Inc Accum	243.6	259.1●	+1.6	4.63
Do Income	195.0	208.5●	+1.2	4.63
Gilt/Fixed Accum	104.3	109.7	+0.3	2.60
Do Income	89.2	93.8	-0.2	2.63
Nth Amer Tst Accum	135.7	145.4●	+2.4	0.17
Far East Tst Accum	132.3	140.7●	+1.7	0.32
Euro Tst Accum	144.2	153.3	-1.6	1.08
General Trust	232.3	247.1●	+1.9	2.70
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	73.6	79.0	+0.5	0.26
Capital Fund	109.2	116.8	+0.7	0.39
Income Fund	82.7	88.5	+0.1	4.43
Far Eastern Fund	69.2	74.1	-0.3	0.35
Overseas Income	65.6	70.2	..	3.85
Fixed Interest	60.9	65.1	-0.2	9.00
Natural Res Fund	38.5	41.0	+0.5	4.67
European Income	71.9	77.0	+0.4	3.23
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS 190, West George St. Glasgow G2 2PA 041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	43.3	46.1a	+0.9	1.70
Do Accum	44.0	46.8a	+1.0	..
Income Gth Inc	42.3	45.0	+1.0	6.50
Do Accum	43.8	46.0	+1.0	..
Service Co's Inc	45.1	48.0c	+0.5	1.90
Do Accum	45.8	48.5●	+0.4	..
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	99.0	105.9	+1.9	0.55
Amer Equity Income	30.9	33.1●	+0.2	4.94
Amer Special Sits	52.0	55.7●	+0.1	0.39
Far East Inc	31.1	33.1	+0.3	4.08
Gilt & Fixed Int	31.5	32.9	..	8.71
Growth & Income	100.6	107.7	+0.3	4.19
Japan Special Sits	34.9	37.4	+0.5	..
Japan Trust	109.1	116.7	+1.3	..
Managed Intl Tst	131.0	139.4	+1.5	0.11
Max Income Equity	73.9	79.1	+0.5	4.89
Professional Gilt	34.3	36.5	..	2.22
South East Asia Tst	26.7	28.5	+0.6	0.68
Special Sits	158.8	168.7	+2.1	0.66
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8, Crosby Sq. London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£351.6	359.7●	+8.15	1.48
Japan Exempt	£346.1	357.2	+4.62	1.12
Am Property Tst	$10795.0		..	7.75
Property Trust	£2033.0	●	..	6.10
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT 3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	221.8	235.6	-0.4	0.55
Do Accum	228.4	240.8	-0.4	0.55
Amer Turnarnd Inc	209.8	222.8	-0.7	1.16
Do Accum	216.0	229.6	-0.7	1.16
Capital Tst Inc	194.8	207.2●	-0.2	2.83
Do Accum	234.4	249.2●	-0.2	2.83
Conv & Gilt Inc	90.2	95.8	+0.6	5.10
Do Accum	118.0	125.4	+1.0	5.10
Extra Inc Tst Inc	160.0	170.0	+0.4	4.33
Do Accum	170.0	180.8	+0.4	4.33
Income Trust	119.4	127.0c	+0.3	3.95
Do Accum	124.0	131.8c	+0.6	3.95
Int Growth Fd Inc	160.8	171.0●	+0.2	0.00
Do Accum	178.4	189.6●	..	0.00
Japan & Gen Inc	74.8	79.4	+0.5	0.08
Do Accum	75.4	80.2	+0.5	0.08
Monthly Income Fd	76.4	81.2●	+0.2	4.88
Recovery	138.8	147.4	+0.4	1.72
Do Accum	149.8	159.2	+0.4	1.72
European Inc	54.6	58.0	-0.4	0.89
Do Accum	54.6	58.0	-0.4	0.89
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	200.5	212.8●	-0.4	2.84
Do Accum	334.3	354.8●	-0.7	2.84
FP Fixed Int Dist	117.3	124.7●	+0.4	5.76
Do Accum	133.5	142.0●	+0.5	5.76
Stewardship Dist	166.3	176.5●	-0.2	2.09
Do Accum	171.6	182.3●	-0.1	2.09
FUNDS IN COURT Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	351.9	363.4●	..	2.63
Gross Inc	153.7	158.0	..	7.34
High Yield	220.7	228.5	..	5.86
GT UNIT MANAGERS 8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq. London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	99.8	106.9	..	2.30
Do Accum	142.5	152.5	..	2.30
Income Fund	81.7	87.4	..	6.00
Pension Exempt	162.3	170.0	+0.1	2.00
International	151.6	162.2	+0.7	1.00
US & General	58.8	62.9●	+0.6	1.40
Tech & Growth	71.5	76.5●	+1.5	1.00
Japan & General	202.9	217.1●	+2.7	0.20
Far East & Gen	83.1	88.9	+1.4	1.00
European Fund	226.8	242.7	-1.9	0.70
Germany Fund	65.0	69.6	-2.2	1.00
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	82.3	87.8	+2.1	0.00
Australian Trust	19.1	20.4●	+0.1	0.35
British Tst Accum	55.5	59.4	..	2.35
Do Dist	48.7	52.1	..	2.35
Commodity Share	53.5	57.2	-0.4	1.51
European Trust	49.6	53.2	-0.4	0.44
Extra Income Trust	46.7	50.1●	..	5.33
Far Eastern Trust	116.4	124.7	+0.7	0.10
Fixed Interest Fund	26.5	28.4●	+0.3	9.62
Gilt Trust	26.5	28.6●	..	8.38
Global Fund Accum	159.6	169.8	+1.4	0.22
Do Dist	152.0	161.6	+1.3	0.22
Gold Share Trust	10.8	11.6	..	2.85
Hedged American	29.6	31.7	+0.9	0.10
High Income Trust	137.9	147.7	..	5.22
Hong Kong Trust	26.1	27.9	+0.1	1.08
Income Fund	75.6	81.0	+0.2	3.21
Insurance Agencies	£48.44	49.94	-0.28	1.92
Japan Trust	124.0	132.0	+1.6	0.00
Managed Exempt	265.3	285.3●	-4.2	2.86
Oil & Energy Trust	29.7	31.3	+0.2	1.50
Special Sits Trust	88.6	94.9	..	0.82
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	66.3	71.0	..	1.55
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Winchester Hse. 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	77.2	82.5	+0.5	1.67
American Growth	64.1	68.5	+1.1	1.82
American Inc	66.9	71.5	+0.6	5.38
European Growth	200.0	213.8	-0.3	0.21
Gold & Minerals	39.6	42.3	-0.1	2.01
Japan Growth	141.5	151.2	+2.3	0.18
Pacific Income	65.5	70.5	+0.9	4.16
UK Special Opps	86.6	93.1	+0.7	1.94
GRE UNIT MANAGERS Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 9903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	125.0	128.9	..	8.83
Growth Equity	215.0	228.8c	..	1.98
Guardhill	297.1	307.8	..	2.87
N American	133.1	141.6●	..	1.62
Pacific	196.3	208.9●	..	0.42
Property Share	254.1	270.4	..	1.52
Smaller Companies	210.4	223.9●	..	1.80
European Trust	223.7	238.0	..	0.74
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	55.0	59.0●	-0.1	6.20
N Amer-Trust	109.9	116.9	+1.2	0.82
Recovery	194.0	206.4●	+1.0	2.37
Gilt Trust	41.4	42.9●	-0.2	8.48
St Vincent Inc	84.9	87.5	+0.4	5.37
St Vincent US Gth	78.5	79.7	+0.7	0.73
Temple Bar Sm Co's	165.5	175.6	..	3.20
Temple Bar USM	348.7	376.6	..	2.39
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd. Brentwood Essex 0277 217916				
Hambros Smllr Co's	128.7	136.9	+1.0	1.89
Hambros N Amer	68.2	72.5c	+1.2	0.81
Hambros Jap & F E	104.9	111.4●	+5.5	0.40
Hambros Scandvn	73.2	80.0	..	0.60
Hambros European	90.5	96.3●	-2.6	0.50
Hambros Canadian	47.8	50.8	+0.3	1.57
Hambros Equity Inc	86.2	91.7c	+0.3	4.30
Hambros High Inc	78.8	82.6●	+0.2	5.59
Hambros Res Assts	58.0	61.7	+0.2	2.38
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd. Hutton Brentwood Essex 0277-217238				
Special Sits Inc	131.2	139.7	+0.5	0.93
Do Accum	184.8	196.6	+0.7	0.93
Recovery Trust	101.0	107.6	+0.7	2.26
Capital Growth Inc	60.5	65.0	+0.3	1.25
Do Accum	69.5	74.7	+0.2	1.25
Income Assets	112.8	120.0	+0.7	3.27
Financial Trust	148.1	158.3c	+1.3	2.41
Income & Growth Inc	149.6	159.4	+0.7	3.02
Do Accum	287.9	306.3	+1.3	3.02
High Income Trust	176.1	187.5●	+0.9	4.65
Extra Income	162.7	174.1	+0.8	4.39
Smaller Cos Div	104.0	110.6●	+0.8	5.36
Pref & Gilt	49.4	52.9	+0.1	8.94
Gilt Trust	45.9	48.7●	-0.6	8.86
Fixed Interest Trust	55.8	59.1	-0.2	9.18
Global Healthcare	83.7	89.6	+1.1	0.01
Global Tech	110.2	118.8	+2.1	0.21
Gold	37.2	40.0	-1.0	0.78
International	162.5	173.1●	-0.8	0.01
Global Resources	67.1	71.1	+0.4	2.81
Worldwide (5)	363.3	382.4	+4.1	3.15
Australian	62.9	67.0●	+0.5	0.67
European	231.9	246.7●	-0.6	0.40
Euro Smaller Cos	86.5	92.0	-0.4	0.30
Japan Trust	137.1	145.8	+3.1	0.15
Japan Special Sits	142.4	151.5	+3.6	0.01
Pacific Smaller Cos	61.7	65.4●	+0.8	0.86
Singapore & Malay	21.5	23.0	+0.6	3.35
North American	138.9	145.8	+2.3	0.51
Amer Smaller Cos	50.6	54.1●	+0.6	0.01
Amer Recovery Tst	112.8	119.9●	+0.2	0.81
High Income Exempt	128.5	133.2	+0.5	4.74
Smaller Cos Exempt	119.7	126.0	+0.7	1.60
Euro Exempt	112.2	118.1●	-0.3	1.41
Japan Exempt (5)	131.0	137.9	+2.2	0.88
N Amer	85.4	89.9c	+1.5	1.16
Global Tech Ex (5)	89.0	93.7	+1.4	0.15
Pacific Exempt (5)	141.8	149.0●	..	2.60
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 01-686 4355 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	548.5	581.9c	..	2.81
Capital Trust Units	99.4	105.8	..	2.65
Dollar Trust Units	177.7	189.1●	..	3.13
European Trust	121.4	129.2	..	0.78
Far East Trust	111.5	118.7	..	2.01
Financial Trust	371.4	395.2●	..	2.56
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	30.4	31.6	..	9.19
Do Growth	44.7	47.4	..	7.28
High Yield Trust	67.2	71.5	..	4.82
Income Trust	82.7	88.0●	..	4.41
International	114.8	122.2	..	2.35
Japan Tech Tst	35.0	37.3	..	0.40
Natural Resources	30.1	32.1●	..	2.80
Security Trust	187.1	199.1	..	2.87
Smaller Cos	88.7	94.4●	..	1.48
Special Sits	97.8	104.1	..	2.35
IBI FUND MANAGERS 32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	129.3	137.6●	-1.4	1.70
IBI High Income	54.1	57.0●	..	10.00
IBI Security Gilt	56.4	59.4●	..	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	65.0	69.5●	-0.3	3.50
KLEINWORT BENSON 20, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	62.9	66.7	..	1.06
Do Accum	64.2	68.1	..	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	19.7	21.1	..	2.89
Do Accum	24.9	26.6	..	..
High Yield Inc	122.0	130.0	+1.4	5.10
Do Accum	213.4	228.2●	+1.8	..
Int Recovery Inc	97.9	104.3c	+0.9	2.30
Do Accum	102.5	109.2	+1.0	..
Japan Growth Inc	86.3	90.4	+0.9	..
Do Accum	85.6	90.7●	+0.9	..
Smaller Co's Inc	154.2	165.8●	+0.8	2.12
Do Accum	201.4	218.5●	+1.0	..
UK Eq Growth Inc	28.7	30.7	+0.2	1.23
Do Accum	47.2	50.5	+0.3	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	42.4	45.0	+0.2	0.14
Do Accum	42.7	45.3	+0.2	..
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT Piercy House, Copthall Ave. EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	439.1	448.1	..	4.58
International & Gen	240.9	245.9	..	0.75
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	278.7	294.8	+1.6	2.07
Do Accum	430.8	460.7	+2.4	2.07
Do Income	62.2	66.5	+0.7	4.51
European	66.7	71.3	-0.9	1.51
Far Eastern	87.1	93.1	+1.6	0.58
Gilt Trust	81.6	86.3●	-0.1	5.43
Int Managed	73.3	78.4	..	1.16
Natural Res	57.0	60.9●	-0.8	2.89
N American Trust	73.6	78.7	+0.9	2.52
UK Special Sits	63.6	68.0	+0.6	2.06
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Registrars Dpt. Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	183.7	195.4●	-0.2	2.99
Do Accum	327.1	349.8	-0.3	2.99
Energy Intl	46.8	50.0	+0.3	3.24
Do Accum	51.7	55.2	+0.4	3.24
Extra Income	160.9	172.0c	+0.1	4.89
Do Accum	284.3	304.0	+0.2	4.89
German Gth Inc	61.3	65.5●	-2.4	0.01
Do Accum	61.3	65.5	-2.4	0.01
Income	268.7	287.3●	+1.0	4.32
Do Accum	528.9	565.7	+2.2	4.32
Intl Tech	181.3	193.9c	-0.5	0.33
Do Accum	189.1	202.2	-0.5	0.33
Japan Growth	66.3	70.9●	+0.7	0.02
Do Accum	66.5	71.1●	+0.7	0.02
N Amer & Gen	99.4	106.3	+1.0	0.90
Do Accum	106.9	114.3	+1.1	0.90
Pacific Basin	110.9	118.6	+0.9	0.26
Do Accum	115.7	123.7	+0.9	0.26
Smaller Cos & Rec	188.5	201.6●	+0.9	1.66
Do Accum	211.0	225.5	+1.0	1.88
Worldwide Growth	181.9	194.5	+0.3	1.00
Do Accum	254.5	272.1	+0.3	1.00
LLOYDS LIFE UNIT TRUST 20, Clifton St, London EC2A 4MX 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	123.4	131.3	+0.5	1.43
Do Accum	171.8	182.8	+0.6	1.43
Gilt Trust	54.3	57.2	+0.3	4.38
Do Accum	58.1	61.2	+0.4	4.38
High Income Dist	94.8	100.9●	+0.4	4.21
Do Accum	109.1	116.1●	-0.5	4.21
US Growth	51.9	55.3●	+0.4	1.19
Do Accum	53.0	56.4●	+0.4	1.19
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	43.1	46.1●	-0.1	3.60
Income Trust	37.8	40.3	+0.3	5.50
International Trust	30.8	32.8	-0.1	1.00
M & G SECURITIES Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	214.1	228.9	-0.1	1.12
Do Accum	246.0	262.9	-0.2	1.12
Amer Recovery	244.5	261.7●	+1.3	0.61
Do Accum	266.5	285.2	+1.3	0.61
Am Smaller Cos	61.3	66.0	..	0.14
Do Accum	62.5	66.2	+0.1	0.14
Aust & Gen Inc	76.6	81.1	-0.1	1.03
Do Accum	82.5	88.4	-0.1	1.03
Comm & Gen Inc	150.4	160.5	+0.3	3.66
Do Accum	198.3	210.0	+0.4	3.66
Compound Growth	411.1	439.8●	+2.1	2.97
Conversion Growth	329.0	351.0	+1.7	2.81
Do Inc	185.4	197.6	+1.4	5.84
Dividend Fund Inc	422.7	449.1●	+2.5	4.77
Do Accum	£12.31	12.94	+0.07	4.77
European & General	193.8	205.4	+0.2	0.77
Do Accum	230.8	244.6	+2.6	0.77
Extra Yield Inc	223.0	238.4	+1.6	5.10
Do Accum	479.6	508.4	+3.3	5.10
Far Eastern Inc	104.1	111.4	-2.0	1.86
Do Accum	128.5	136.4	-2.4	1.86
Fund Of Inv Inc	238.5	252.8●	-0.1	2.47
Do Acc	370.8	392.8●	-0.1	2.47
General Income	621.1	658.4	+3.8	3.63
Do Accum	£13.00	13.78	+0.08	3.63
Gilt & Fixed Int	64.6	67.7●	-0.2	8.77
Do Accum	95.3	101.0	-0.3	8.77
Gold Income	34.1	36.6	-0.2	3.37
Do Accum	36.8	39.3	-0.3	3.37
High Income Inc	324.4	347.1	+1.6	5.02
Do Accum	862.2	920.4	+4.8	5.02
Intl Growth Inc	730.6	781.7	+4.8	2.16
Do Accum	£11.65	12.46	+0.09	2.16
Intl Inc Inc	56.8	60.2●	+0.4	4.89
Japan & Gen Inc	652.2	694.6●	+4.6	0.10
Do Accum	698.5	743.9●	+4.9	0.10
Japan Smaller Acc	81.0	86.3●	+0.8	0.00
Midland & Gen Inc	668.3	695.2●	+4.8	3.91
Do Accum	£13.84	14.61	+0.09	3.91
Recovery Fund Inc	365.8	387.8	+1.9	3.06
Do Accum	460.0	487.1	+2.6	3.06
Second Gen Inc	708.7	751.2	+8.7	3.83
Do Accum	£13.82	14.65	+0.10	3.83
Smaller Cos Inc	641.7	680.0	+2.9	2.81
Do Accum	£10.01	10.61	+0.04	2.81
Trustee Fund Inc	455.5	484.2●	+2.1	4.21
Do Accum	£12.95	13.67	+0.06	4.21
Charifund Inc (3)	120.6	●	..	10.13
Do Accum (3)	388.8	●	..	10.13
Charitund Inc (2)	391.9	395.9●	+1.8	5.45
Do Accum (2)	£10.22	10.33●	+0.17	5.45
Pension Exempt (1)	480.2	481.5●	+7.5	4.46
NAACIF Inc (3)	49.0	●	..	8.01
Do Accum (3)	467.8	●	..	8.01
MIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 11, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YR 01-623 4273				
Equity Exempt	408.7	426.8	+0.9	2.32
Do Accum	517.2	540.2	+1.1	2.32
UK Market Features	74.3	79.2●	+3.6	1.60
Do Accum	76.4	81.5●	+0.9	1.60
Japan Performance	113.6	120.3	+1.8	0.12
Do Accum	116.1	123.6	+2.9	0.12
US Special Features	69.0	73.3●	+0.8	0.69
Do Accum	69.7	74.0●	+0.9	0.69
Gold & Precious Met	38.5	41.8	+0.6	1.72
Do Accum	39.7	43.1	+0.7	1.72
US Special Inc	56.5	60.9	-0.4	5.57
Do Accum	59.9	64.6	-0.5	5.57
European Perf Inc	78.6	83.6	+0.1	1.08
Do Accum	78.7	83.7	..	1.08
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX 0622 674751				
MLA General	33.9	35.9	-0.1	2.08
MLA International	51.1	54.1●	-0.1	0.97
MLA Gilt Unit	24.9	26.3●	+0.1	9.88
MLA Income	41.0	43.4●	..	4.83
MLA European	28.9	30.6	-0.1	0.81
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	75.7	80.4	..	2.55
Gilt & Fixed Int	115.6	119.9	..	7.77
High Income Units	113.8	120.9●	..	5.45
High Yield Gilt Unit	56.5	58.5	..	11.75
Intl Growth Units	116.7	124.0●	..	0.38
N American Units	68.4	72.7	..	0.52
Far East Units	84.4	89.7	..	0.21
Smaller Cos Fund	68.1	72.4●	..	1.82
MENCAP UNIT TRUST Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd. E7 01-234 5544				
Mencap	138.5	147.3●	+0.5	4.07
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33, King William St. EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	95.7	101.8●	+0.6	1.00
Do Accum	99.7	106.0●	+0.6	1.00
Amer Income	48.0	51.0●	..	5.56
Do Accum	50.2	53.3●	-0.1	5.56
European Growth	122.8	130.6	+0.1	1.55
Do Accum	126.1	134.1	+0.2	1.55
General	255.5	271.8	-0.8	2.09
Do Accum	415.4	441.9	-1.0	2.09
Gilt & Fixed	82.2	93.1	+0.4	7.50
Do Accum	101.0	102.0	+0.4	7.50
Income	83.5	88.8	-0.1	3.83
Do Accum	91.6	97.4	-0.1	3.83
International	215.9	230.7	+0.7	1.03
Do Accum	267.7	284.7	+0.8	1.03
Japan	139.5	148.4	+2.1	0.66
Do Accum	142.7	151.8	+2.1	0.66
Recovery	200.5	213.2●	+0.3	2.30
Do Accum	213.7	227.3●	+0.4	2.30
Exempt Dist	228.1	243.4	-0.5	2.59
Exempt Accum	353.9	375.1	-0.6	2.59
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 796842				
Capital Income	79.0	84.2	-0.1	2.17
Do Accum	106.6	113.7	-0.1	2.17
Commodity & Gen	109.0	116.2●	+0.7	3.37
Do Accum	153.6	164.0●	+0.9	3.37
Extra High Inc	60.1	64.1●	+0.2	7.45
Do Accum	69.0	73.6●	+0.3	7.45
Gilt & Fixed Inc	57.1	59.6	-0.1	8.81
Do Accum	91.5	95.6	-0.1	8.81
High Yield	154.3	162.2●	..	5.31
Do Accum	254.8	273.6●	+0.3	5.31
Income	173.7	186.2	+0.9	3.49
Do Accum	282.7	301.8	+1.4	3.49
Japan & Pacific	235.1	250.7	+6.4	0.18
Do Accum	246.5	262.9	+5.7	0.18
N American Inc	106.5	113.5c	+1.3	1.23
Do Accum	126.6	135.0c	+1.5	1.23
Euro Gth Inc	110.3	117.6c	-0.8	1.48
Do Accum	132.0	140.8c	-1.0	1.48
Smaller Cos Inc	112.0	119.4	+1.2	2.16
Do Accum	118.4	126.3	+1.2	2.16
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH 041 221 9252				
American	108.5	115.6	+0.6	3.31
European	209.9	222.8	+2.8	0.67
Smaller Cos	209.7	222.8●	-2.0	1.06
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	203.8	216.9●	+0.8	2.80
Do Accum	329.2	350.3●	+1.4	2.80
NPI Overseas	544.3	579.1	+3.8	1.10
Do Accum	664.1	706.5	+4.5	1.10
Far East Acc	71.5	75.1	+2.0	0.30
Do Dist	71.4	76.0	+1.9	0.30
American Acc	56.5	60.2	+0.9	1.70
Do Dist	56.1	59.7	+0.8	1.70
NORWICH UNION PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	£11.96	12.59	-0.01	3.32
Intl Trust	121.9	128.3●	-0.1	1.30
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	137.4	147.0	-1.8	0.66
Income & Growth	53.8	58.1	+0.6	1.34
Special Sits	81.9	87.7	-0.9	3.65
American Growth	32.9	35.2	+0.2	0.29
Japan Growth	52.3	56.0●	+0.4	1.06
European Growth	61.0	65.3	-1.2	2.12
UK Growth	55.4	59.3	-0.1	0.58
Pacific Growth	44.1	47.2	..	1.31
High Income	31.2	33.4	+0.8	7.15
Practical Income	61.9	66.2	+0.5	2.21
Do Accum	93.6	99.6	+0.7	2.21
PEARL TRUST 252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	90.1	95.9●	+0.1	1.93
Do Accum	135.3	143.9●	+0.1	1.93
Income Fund	123.3	129.0●	+0.3	3.49
Intl Equity Inc	123.7	131.6	-0.2	1.57
Do Accum	123.7	131.6	-0.2	1.57
Unit Trust Inc	130.7	139.0	-0.1	3.11
Do Accum	220.3	234.4	-0.1	3.11
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Intl Growth	268.1	286.8	+0.2	0.81
Income	194.2	208.6●	+0.4	4.40
Worldwide Rec	153.3	164.6	+0.4	1.35
Amer Growth	68.5	73.6	+0.4	0.76
Intl Emerg Co's	80.2	86.1●	+0.3	0.61
Far East Growth	68.4	73.4	+0.4	1.01
European Gth	57.7	62.8	+0.3	1.49
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS 222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	110.3	118.3●	+0.67	1.13
High Income	183.6	194.8●	+0.5	4.08
Conv & Gilt	98.2	105.2c	..	5.66
Far Eastern	181.4	192.3●	+1.9	..
North American	137.6	147.5●	+1.4	1.80
Special Sits	213.9	228.9	+0.3	1.25
Technology	122.3	131.1	+1.4	0.32
Extra Income	85.7	90.9●	+0.4	4.79
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	402.4	428.0●	-0.8	3.02
European	85.9	91.3●	+0.5	0.80
Holborn Comms	53.8	57.2	+0.1	1.80
Holborn High Inc	68.1	72.4●	+0.2	6.08
Holborn Intl	90.8	96.4	+0.2	0.73
Japanese	80.7	85.8	+0.6	0.05
N American	68.9	73.2●	+0.8	0.42
Holborn Spec Sits	85.0	89.1	+0.1	2.08
Holborn UK Growth	82.7	87.9	-0.2	2.11
Holborn Gilt Trust	181.4	188.6●	+0.6	9.09
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY 31-45 Gresham St. London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	429.5	457.0●	..	2.67
Quadrant Income	244.5	260.2	..	5.23
Quadrant Intl Fd	374.8	394.6●	-3.7	1.14
Quadrant Recovery	259.4	276.0	..	3.66
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456				
NC America Inc	270.4	287.6	+3.3	1.01
Do Accum	290.9	309.4	+3.6	1.01
NC Energy Res	134.1	142.6	+1.8	2.86
NC Income	90.7	96.4●	+0.5	3.77
NC Japan	168.7	179.4	+3.7	0.01
NC Smaller Cos	138.2	147.0	+0.7	2.05
NC Smlr Europ Co's	169.7	180.5	-0.6	0.44
NC Exempt Gilt	£133.0	138.0●	..	8.47
NC Amer Prop	$11.57	12.18●	..	..
NC Property	173.8	182.9●	..	..
ROWAN UNIT TRUST 33 King William Street. London EC4R 9AS 01-638 5678				
American (4)	220.0	224.0	..	2.07
Securities (2)	707.0	722.0	+13.5	2.38
High Yield (5)	182.0	185.5c	..	6.01
Merlin (3)	393.0	401.0	..	1.70
Fixed Interest	175.5	176.5	..	2.42
High Interest	131.0	132.0	..	11.54
Far East (2)	167.0	180.5	+4.5	0.36
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	83.1	87.1●	+0.4	2.43
Intl Trust	68.3	72.6	+0.7	1.42
Gilt Trust	26.5	28.9	..	7.34
US Trust	31.3	33.2	+0.4	1.57
Pacific Basin Tst	34.4	36.5	+0.7	0.59
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 576115				
American Growth	85.8	91.4	+0.4	0.83
Capital Accum	184.8	196.8	-0.6	2.06
Gilt Income	59.0	62.2●	+0.2	8.31
High Income	80.7	85.9	+1.0	4.85
Income & Growth	98.0	105.4●	..	4.30
Japan Growth	74.1	79.9●	+0.8	0.06
Special Sits	102.8	109.4●	-0.2	1.40
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 68-73, Queen St. Edinburgh EH2 4NX (Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351				
Amer Inc & Growth	65.3	69.8●	-0.1	7.64
Capital Units	98.0	104.8	..	2.37
Commodity	46.3	49.5	-0.4	1.87
Energy Inds	45.6	48.8	+0.8	4.24
European Growth	97.8	104.5	+0.5	0.77
Exempt Inc Bnd	84.7	89.2c	..	4.49
Do Ind (43)	59.7	62.9●	+0.2	2.31
Exploration	37.4	40.0	+0.2	0.00
Financial Secs	93.5	100.0	+0.2	2.07
Gilt & FI Inc	58.8	59.6	+0.2	10.56
High Return Units	185.4	198.2	-0.2	4.80
High Yield Units	169.4	180.1●	-0.2	3.94
Income Units	97.3	104.0	..	5.84
Investment Trust	85.0	90.6●	+0.1	2.59
International	110.8	117.0	-0.2	3.48
Japan Growth	77.4	82.7	+0.5	..
Japan Smaller Cos	109.7	117.3●	+1.8	..
Masterfund	27.7	29.6●	..	3.10
New Technology	98.8	103.3	-0.7	..
SE Asia Growth	93.0	98.4●	-0.2	1.77
Scotbits	126.9	135.7	+0.2	2.18
Scotshares	161.3	172.5	-0.2	3.71
Scotyields	161.4	172.6	..	3.46
Select International	72.4	77.4●	+0.4	1.58
Smaller Co's Inc	158.6	169.5●	+1.7	4.02
Special Situations	95.0	102.6	-0.3	1.89
UK Equity	186.0	198.9	-0.5	2.16
US Growth	72.5	77.5	+0.1	1.62
Universal Growth	81.0	86.6●	+0.4	1.46
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Inc	124.4	133.0●	+2.2	0.67
Do Accum	127.4	136.2●	+2.3	0.67
Australian Inc	64.0	68.8	+0.6	1.79
Do Accum	68.7	73.6	+0.6	1.79
European Inc	108.0	115.5●	+0.3	1.10
Do Accum	110.9	118.6●	+0.3	1.10
Gilt & Fixed Inc	57.8	60.9	+0.3	8.87
Do Accum	86.1	90.8	+0.4	8.87
Gold Fund Inc	28.4	30.3●	+0.1	6.27
Do Accum	29.9	31.9●	+0.1	6.27
Income	179.3	191.7	+1.4	4.89
Do Accum	393.8	421.1	+3.1	4.89
Intl Income	104.0	111.2●	+1.0	0.50
Do Income	143.7	153.8●	+1.3	0.50
Jap Smlr Co's Ac	120.5	128.8	+1.4	0.10
Singapore & Malay	38.9	41.5c	+0.4	1.68
Do Accum	39.7	42.4c	+0.3	1.68
Smaller Co's Inc	127.2	136.0	+1.0	1.46
Do Accum	132.8	142.0	+1.1	1.46
Special Sits Inc	103.7	110.9●	+0.1	0.97
Do Accum	107.5	114.9●	+0.1	0.97
Tokyo Fund Inc	189.5	202.6	+2.7	0.27
Do Accum	191.6	204.8	+2.7	0.27
US Smaller Co's Ac	56.7	60.6●	+0.7	0.10
UK Equity Inc	104.4	111.6	+0.4	2.89
Do Accum	159.6	170.6	+0.7	2.89
Recovery	806.3	862.3	..	2.75
Special Exempt	112.8	120.6	+1.5	1.33
Pensions & Charity	587.3	628.1	..	3.21
Extra Income	61.9	66.1●	+0.3	5.51
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	149.6	159.4●	-0.2	3.18
Do Accum	222.6	236.8●	+1.7	3.18
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	183.6	196.5●	+0.6	1.73
American	146.2	156.4●	+2.3	1.32
Pacific	155.1	165.9●	+2.6	0.06
European	213.4	228.3●	-0.9	0.54
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS 109, Vincent St. Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6100				
UK Equity	173.7	184.8●	-0.3	2.12
Gilt & Fixed	121.4	129.2●	+0.5	7.86
UK Smlr Co's Eq	147.8	157.3●	+1.7	1.71
European	178.6	190.1●	-2.2	0.98
N American	105.7	112.5●	+0.5	1.57
Pacific	144.1	153.3●	+1.6	1.26
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST 29, Charlotte Sq. Edinburgh 031-226 4372				
Pacific	52.2	55.9	..	0.32
World Growth	34.5	36.9●	..	1.03
N American	33.4	35.8	..	0.30
Income Fund	45.5	48.7●	..	4.71
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Pep Eq Inc	236.5	251.7●	-0.1	2.86
Do Accum	272.4	289.9●	..	2.86
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT 30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	102.4	109.6	-0.2	0.95
Pacific	158.9	167.9●	+0.8	0.01
Sec Income Fnd	175.9	188.2●	+0.3	4.54
Special Situations	216.7	231.9●	+1.6	2.18
Intl Growth	28.9	30.9	+0.2	0.13
American Majors	68.3	73.1	-0.3	1.12
Smaller Co's	38.3	41.0	+0.1	1.45
Japan Tech & Gen	88.5	95.0●	+0.8	0.01
International Income	56.6	60.6●	+0.1	4.96
Exempt	498.5	531.3●	..	2.08
UK General	33.8	36.2c	+0.2	2.32
Euro Growth	30.2	32.4	..	0.08
Euro Income	34.6	37.0●	..	5.00
SIMON & COATES 1, London Wall Bldgs, London EC2M 5PT 01-588 3644 Ext 357				
Special Sits (5)	50.7	54.2c	..	0.78
STANDARD LIFE 3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Income Units	25.5	27.3a	..	2.87
Do Accum Units	28.2	30.2a	..	2.87
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 3271				
American Fund	212.5	226.5	..	2.34
Do Accum	238.6	254.4	..	2.34
Do Withdrawal	149.1	159.0	..	2.34
Australian Fund	120.3	128.2●	..	1.04
Do Accum	123.9	132.0●	..	1.04
British Fund	593.9	632.7	..	4.26
Do Accum	799.9	852.3	..	4.26
European Fund	269.1	286.7	..	0.90
Do Accum	283.3	301.8	..	0.90
Japan Fund	268.3	285.9	..	0.27
Do Accum	270.6	288.4	..	0.27
Saints PPP	165.1	173.8	..	..
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	393.1	418.1	-1.0	2.19
N Am Trust Acc	56.1	59.6	+1.1	1.28
Far East Trust Acc	70.1	74.6	+0.8	0.05
TSB UNIT TRUSTS PO Box 3, Keens Hse, Andover, Hants. SP10 1PG 0264 62188 Dealings:0264 63432				
American Inc	113.1	120.4	+0.4	1.02
Do Accum	117.8	125.4	+0.5	1.02
Extra Income Inc	108.0	114.8	+0.8	4.86
Do Accum	126.2	134.2	+1.1	4.86
General Unit Inc	154.0	163.8	-0.4	2.68
Do Accum	262.0	280.0	-0.6	2.68
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.8	52.9●	+0.2	8.06
Do Accum	66.2	68.9●	+0.2	8.06
Income	221.0	235.2	-0.1	3.94
Accum	384.4	391.1	-0.1	3.94
Pacific Inc	136.2	144.8	+0.8	0.81
Do Accum	139.7	148.6	+0.8	0.81
Intl Inc	287.1	305.4●	+0.4	1.50
Do Accum	355.4	378.0●	+0.5	1.50
Selected Opps Inc	60.8	64.8●	..	1.83
Do Accum	66.5	70.8●	..	1.83
Natural Res	42.2	44.9●	-0.2	2.45
Do Accum	43.3	46.1●	-0.2	2.45
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks 0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	71.9	76.6	+0.4	0.94
Australian	18.3	19.6	..	0.10
Commodity	67.5	72.8	+0.2	1.90
Energy	29.9	31.9	+0.5	1.81
Equity	130.5	140.0	-0.1	2.93
European Spec Sits	98.7	106.0●	-0.2	0.24
Extra Income	115.5	128.9	+0.1	5.76
Financial	270.2	288.5	-0.7	2.10
Gilt Income	110.7	116.4c	+0.5	7.65
Gold Income	54.2	57.7●	..	1.90
Do Accum	98.9	105.5●	..	1.90
Income	81.5	86.9	+0.2	4.80
Japan	82.5	88.0	+0.9	0.10
Malay & Singapore	16.3	17.4●	+0.2	1.47
Pacific Inc	81.8	87.2	+1.0	0.88
Do Reinvest	100.4	107.2	+1.1	0.88
Pref Share Fd	17.7	19.1●	..	9.81
UK Capital	70.8	75.3	-0.6	1.60
Special Sits	81.7	87.2	+0.9	0.84
Technology	48.3	51.4	+0.5	0.10
World Income	54.2	57.8●	-0.6	4.08
Worldwide Capital	140.0	150.5	+0.9	1.56
Equity Ex (2)	82.0	87.3	+0.4	1.76
Do Accum (2)	164.1	164.4	+1.2	1.76
[illegible] TRUST MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01 283-3355				
Smaller Co's	67.7	72.0●	-0.1	0.16
TOUCHE REMNANT Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	40.4	43.0	+0.1	0.75
General Growth	58.4	59.3	..	3.00
Global Tech	44.0	47.1●	..	0.10
Income Growth	62.6	66.7	+0.2	5.27
Income Monthly	53.2	53.7a	+0.2	7.20
Japan Growth	34.8	37.1●	-0.4	0.18
O'seas Growth	42.3	45.4●	+0.1	1.36
Smaller Cos	62.1	66.1●	+0.1	2.82
Special Opps	69.6	74.0	+0.4	2.76
TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES 91-99, New London Rd, Chelmsford 0245 51651				
Colemco Inc (3)	454.2	472.8	..	3.68
Do Accum (3)	740.8	771.3	..	3.68
Fielding Fund (4)	245.5	262.3●	..	2.75
Do Accum (4)	272.7	291.4●	..	2.75
Fldng Am & Gen (4)	239.0	251.5	..	0.68
Do Accum (4)	271.7	286.0	..	0.68
Fielding Inc Fund (4)	176.7	188.1	..	4.41
S & W Amer (5)	157.1	165.3	..	1.09
S & W Smlr Secs	138.3	145.8●	..	0.12
TYNDALL MANAGERS 18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Australian	64.1	68.6c	+1.4	2.09
Do Acc	66.2	70.8c	+1.3	2.09
Capital	320.3	341.1●	+2.6	3.27
Do Accum	568.5	605.8●	+4.7	3.27
Exempt	290.9	309.8●	+2.5	5.36
Do Accum	661.1	704.0●	+5.7	5.36
Far Eastern	150.4	160.9	+1.7	0.86
Do Accum	162.3	173.6	+1.9	0.86
Fin & Prop	54.8	58.4	+0.6	3.21
Do Accum	85.3	90.8	+0.7	3.21
Gilt Capital	127.3	132.7●	+0.2	6.40
Do Accum	147.8	154.1●	+0.2	6.40
Gilt Income	114.9	118.4	-0.2	9.33
Do Accum	181.8	189.0	-0.3	9.33
High Yield	58.8	59.4●	+0.4	8.77
Do Accum	122.0	125.9●	+0.9	5.77
Income	239.8	255.4●	+2.3	4.83
Do Accum	732.3	779.9●	+7.1	4.83
Intl Earnings	185.3	176.0●	+1.0	2.38
Do Accum	240.5	256.2●	+1.5	2.38
Intl Growth	74.8	79.7	+0.3	0.77
Do Accum	77.6	82.9	+0.3	0.77
Japan Growth Acc	95.5	102.1	+1.4	0.20
Natural Resources	158.3	168.6●	-1.7	2.47
Do Accum	226.9	241.5●	-2.4	2.47
N Amer Growth	116.9	125.0	+1.1	0.67
Do Acc	135.6	145.0	+1.4	0.67
Pref	115.4	124.6●	+3.7	10.26
Do Accum	297.8	316.7●	+6.8	10.26
Smaller Co's Div Inc	57.2	60.9	+0.9	5.33
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH 0722 336242				
UK Equity	118.8	127.0	-0.5	..
Pacific Basin	125.5	133.1	+2.3	..
N Amer	111.0	117.7	-0.3	..
VANGUARD TRUST 65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU 01-236 3053				
Growth Inc	195.5	208.0	+0.5	1.79
Do Accum	284.4	302.6	+0.8	1.79
High Yield	213.2	226.9	+1.4	4.29
Do Accum	213.2	226.9	+1.4	4.29
Special Sits	41.9	44.6	+0.2	2.11
Do Accum	41.9	44.6	+0.2	2.11
Trustee	135.8	144.4	+0.3	3.39
Do Accum	204.5	217.5	+0.5	3.39
Amer & Gen	57.5	61.2●	-0.1	1.18
Do Accum	57.5	61.2	-0.1	1.18
Master Portfolio	£60.55	62.10●	+0.05	3.67
Abing Rdin Assts (5)	108.7	115.7	..	1.63
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2 01-929 1532				
American Trust	67.3	72.4	-0.3	1.60
Far East & Gen	83.0	88.2	+0.8	1.20
Intl Growth	69.6	74.1	-0.1	1.10
Income Trust	78.7	84.7●	+0.2	5.60
Japan Growth	102.8	110.6	+0.7	0.20
Small Companies	122.0	131.2	+0.6	2.00
Technology	36.4	39.1●	+0.3	0.20
Australia	47.1	50.6	+0.8	1.40
UK Trust	135.1	143.8c	-0.9	2.70
European Growth	62.4	65.8	..	1.20
Hong Kong	22.2	23.8	..	1.70
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT 13, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh 031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	16.6	17.7	..	0.15
Pacific Basin Energy	15.0	16.0●	..	0.20
Canadian Bal Gth	29.5	29.7●	-0.2	3.00
Ginnie Mae Fnd	$102.3	108.5	+0.2	7.60
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2, Honey La EC2 8BT 01-606 9085/6				
Shrt Dtd Gilt Fund	65.6	66.7●	..	0.59
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD 01-405 8331				
Conv & Equity	49.0	52.2	-0.1	7.64
Income	63.1	66.5	+0.1	6.22
Growth	52.2	55.6	+0.4	2.21

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

TEMPUS

Harris Queensway eyes likely quarry

Harris Queensway is on the prowl once more. The rights issue announced yesterday opens the way to yet another acquisition. Sir Philip Harris, the chairman and chief executive, admitted he was watching Comet closely, and there are bound to be other opportunities.

The stated reason for the rights issue is to provide flexibility for further expansion, especially in the electrical area.

The company has little need of the money internally, despite an annual capital spend of about £50 million. In April borrowings stood at £60.3 million, but that was a seasonal peak. The rights issue will raise £71.6 million after £2.5 million expenses and a sale and leaseback will bring in a further £24 million. As a result the company will be left with net cash of more than £35 million.

Assuming shareholders approve an increase in share capital, it will also have 33.8 million authorized but unissued shares, worth £84 million at the ex rights price of 249p. With a combination of these shares and cash, Harris Queensway might be able to afford to spend £180 million.

Cynics were suggesting yesterday that the rights issue was designed to deflect attention away from the underlying trading performance, which was disappointing. This, however, was heavily disguised by the way the figures were presented.

Reported profits were up from £27.3 million in the 12 months to December 24 1984 to £39.6 million in the 13 months to January 26 this year. The change in year end makes exact comparisons difficult, though the company says profits in the 12 months to January 1986 were £35 million. Stripping out property profits that implies an increase of up to 26 per cent.

That may look impressive, but it owes much to the contribution from the now wholly-owned operations in Debenhams and to the acquisitions of Rayford Supreme and Pennywise. In addition the new stores, 17 for Queensway, 15 out of town for Ultimate, and 43 for Carpetland, will have made an important contribution. Unusually, the company declined to say how its existing stores performed, which would have been more worrying had margins not increased from 7.3 per cent to 8 per cent.

In fairness, it was a year of change and uncertainty, particularly in the Debenhams outlets. Bad weather at the start of the year and high interest rates hampered growth.

Trading in the out-of-town stores is now showing useful gains but it is not so buoyant on the high street. Lower interest rates should help later in the year. Reorganization will also help. Mr Peter Carr, who remained at Debenhams after the bid by Burton Group, is leaving to join Queensway this week as managing director. Stripped of property gains, profits should rise to £47 million this year, against £33.1 million. That makes the p/e ratio 15 allowing for the increased capital. The rating allows little leeway.

Bank of Scotland

Bank of Scotland yesterday announced an 18 per cent improvement in pretax profits for the year to February 28, despite a surge in expenses related to establishing new business ventures.

The pretax profit figure rose to £95.2 million from £80.4 million the year before as net income rose 15.6 per cent over the same period. The bank said that the income improvement came largely from a substantial 15 per cent growth in sterling lending business.

However, a stronger sterling exchange rate against the dollar helped to erode the value of foreign currency business, giving an increase in total advances of 9.2 per cent to £5.8 billion.

The increase in pretax profits does not match the growth in the previous two years of about 25 per cent, but the bank said that high initial expenses in setting up operations were partly responsible.

Total expenses rose during the year from £165.3 million to £191.1 million as the bank developed its own Visa card operation and started up joint credit card ventures with the Automobile Association and with Marks and Spencer.

Staff numbers rose by 3 per cent last year and are expected to increase by the same amount this year, compared with previous increases of about 1.5 per cent.

The bank said that it was going through a period of rapid development and that the costs related to this would not last much beyond next year. Participation in the highly successful Marks and Spencer credit card, launched last year, has not so far produced profits for the bank, but is expected to do so in the next two years, after which its involvement in the scheme is due to end.

Nurdin & Peacock

The decline of the independent grocer has been a feature of the retailing scene for many years. Nurdin & Peacock, the cash and carry wholesale group has not found this an obstacle to growth, however.

Its strict policy of selling exclusively to the retailer and at the keenest of prices enabled it last year to clock up an improved performance for the twenty second successive year.

It now has 2.4 million square feet of wholesale space in 33 warehouses, making it a leading cash and carry wholesaler.

Yesterday, the company reported pretax profits for the year to January 4 of £15.7 million, compared with £13.2 million in the previous year. This was an increase of 19 per cent on turnover of £728 million, up 22 per cent.

Established branches showed an increase in sales of 14 per cent, well above the rate of inflation.

The company is continuing to expand its selling space, more by upgrading its existing locations rather than by opening in new locations.

Nurdin & Peacock's prime "Peacock" brand has been around for some years and covers more than 400 food and non-food lines.

At the beginning of this year, a restricted range of 26 fast-selling items was launched under the "Happy Shopper" label and has so far proved to be highly successful.

The retail price, which is pitched at a competitive level, is marked on the items, yet the retailer is allowed a margin as good as he will earn from other similar items.

This range, and the expanded floor space, will allow Nurdin & Peacock's pretax profit to show further gains this year.

Stockbrokers' analysts are looking for an improvement to between £17 million and £17.5 million. On a reduced tax charge of 36 per cent, earnings per share should reach 14.8p, exceeding last year's 12.3p by 20 per cent.

The shares were marked down by 10p to 178p on the announcement.

They are now standing on what must be a relativley modest rating of 12 times prospective earnings.

Loss soars at Barker & Dobson

Barker & Dobson, the confectionery manufacturer based at Liverpool, reports higher losses for 1985 and is passing the dividend. An interim dividend of 0.1p was paid for 1984, but no final.

Last year, the trading loss tripled to £6.7 million, compared with £2.23 million, despite an increase in turnover from £22.76 million to £25.42 million. The pretax loss climbed from £2.12 million to £6.66 million.

The loss on discontinued activities was £6.03 million, which is made up of a loss of £5.87 million by the retail division up to its sale last September and a deficit of £166,000 by the property division to its sale in October.

Barker's auditors have given a qualified report on the results of the discontinued activities.

In brief

● **JAMES FISHER:** Total dividend 3.3p (3.2p) for 1985. Turnover £39.63 million (£35.07 million). Profit, before tax and extraordinary items, £3.04 million (£2.84 million). Extraordinary debit, net of tax, £11.87 million (£870,000). Earnings per share (net basis) 6.71p (11.08p). With little prospect of any recovery in freight rates, the board decided last year to sell the Sir John Fisher and the Thamesfield (deep-sea, bulk-carrier vessels) and disengage from deep-sea shipowning.

● **LINREAD:** Mr D G Lynall, the chairman, told the annual meeting that, at this stage, it appears unlikely that the profit for the first half-year will match last time.

● **SOUTH AFRICAN BREWERIES:** Year to March 31, 1986. Turnover R5,747.8 million (£1,796 million), against R5,359.2 million. Pretax profit R245.9 million (R235.2 million). Total dividend 37 cents (36 cents). Earnings per share 82.5 cents (80.4 cents).

● **TIGER OATS:** Half-year to March 31, 1986. Turnover R1,855.7 million (£580 million), against R1,394.5 million. Pretax profit R100.5 million (R75.7 million). Interim dividend 105 cents (90 cents).

● **CITY OF OXFORD INVESTMENT TRUST:** Total dividend for the year to March 31, 1986, 8p (7.25p). Net pretax revenue £476,777 (£445,442). Earnings per share 8.07p (7.48p). Net asset value per share 327.1p (255.4p).

● **WORCESTER GROUP:** Savory Milln, the broker, is to bring the group to the unlisted securities market, via a placing of 900,000 ordinary shares at 110p per share. This puts this Midlands-based company on an historic price-earnings ratio of 11.5 and values it at about £5 million. Dealings are expected to start next Tuesday. Worcester's main activity is making gas domestic central heating systems.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

£72m cash call helps push shares into deeper gloom

Share prices continued to slide yesterday, as dealers took note of Tuesday's sharp increase in bank lending and sterling M3, another substantial cash call – this time from Harris Queensway – and Wall Street's renewed decline.

There was also caution in front of today's two by-elections, at Ryedale and West Derbyshire, so that the two important indexes closed at their lowest levels of the day, with the FT 30-share index falling by 22.8 points to 1,345.7 and the FT-SE 100 tumbling by 26.1 points to 1,610.1.

Gilts lost three quarters of a point as hopes of another early cut in interest rates faded behind the inconclusive outcome of the Tokyo Summit.

Stores tumbled as Harris Queensway called for £72 million for its expansion and produced profits below best expectations. The shares dropped 26p to 248p. Electronic issues turned sour, hit by lower profits from Philips Lamps, down £1 and 3/16 to £14 and 13/16 and Diploma 50p down at 306p. Electrocomponents, at 414p, Euretherm 320p, Unitech 230p and Lex Service Group 379p, were among those to give up 13p to 25p in sympathy.

Banks were firm at first, particularly Lloyds, which rose 15p at one stage, on unsubstantiated reports that Prudential had acquired a near-30 per cent holding. However, the mood quickly changed as Royal Bank of Scotland announced profits well below expectations. Its shares dipped 14p to 938p, with other clearers similarly lower, but Lloyds ended unchanged on balance.

Fears of competition if building societies are allowed to enter the pensions field upset life insurances, where Prudential declined 15p to 839p and Sun Life fell 25p to 842p. Composites remained unsettled ahead of next week's quarterlies, with Commercial Union down 5p to 324p.

Leading industrials weakened by 7p to 20p, including Beecham at 383p, BP 545p, Glaxo 925p, Grand Met 330p and ICI 934p. But Allied-Lyons resisted the trend, at 310p, up 5p, as recent rights issue talk faded. The results are due today and dealers are hoping for profits of up to £270 million, against £219 million last year.

John Brown received a surprise bid from Trafalgar House, as that company produced its results. Brown jumped 5p to 28p – matching the terms from Trafalgar, which lost 4p to 298p.

MEPC, long talked-of as a possible target for Trafalgar, fell 16p to 340p. In dull buildings, Wimpey slipped 6p to 183p as Grove Charity Trust placed nearly 15 per cent of its 49 per cent holding with institutions.

Rotaflex rose 5p to 343p, on the company's continued rejection of the Emess Lighting terms.

British Aerospace was supported by US buying at 555p, up 7p, but Jaguar retreated 18 per cent to 478p. TI Group added 4p to 583p, on continued hopes of a bid from BBA Group, 7p easier at 268p.

Profit-taking knocked 11p from Tozer, Kemsley, at 206p and Ladbrook, recently depressed by a chart "sell" signal, weakened another 8p to 324p. Monopoly worries unsettled S & W Berisford, 13p down at 223p, while the rival bidders, Hillsdown, at 300p and Tate and Lyle, 586p, fell by 11p and 5p in sympathy.

Rowntree, at 513p, gave back 17p of its recent rise, inspired by reports of a bid. Higher profits did little for Nurdin and Peacock, at 178p, down 4p. H Samuel "A" rose 10p to 125p, in anticipation of a formal bid from Ratners, 6p better at 157p in ex-rights form.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES			
Ashley (L) (135p)	199	-4	
BPP (160p)	215	+22	
Brookmount (160p)	288		
Chancery Secs (63p)	83		
Cranswick M (95p)	103		
Davies DY (155p)	204		
Dewhirst (130p)	144	-3	
Ferguson (J) (10p)	28	-1	
Gold Grn Trot (185p)	218	-2	
Granyte Surface (56p)	83	-2	
Green (E) (120p)	125	-2	
Ipsco (120p)	121	-2	
Jarvis Porter (105p)	138	-2	
Jurys Hotel (115p)	106		
Lee Ind (180p)	159	-1	
Lexicon (115p)	suspended		
Lodge Cars (70p)	92		
Macro 4 (105p)	136		
Marivale M (115p)	158		
Musterlin (105p)	119		
Really Useful (330p)	368		
Splash Prods (72p)	72	-2	
Templeton (215p)	208		
Sigmex (101p)	74		
Spice (80p)	97		
Tech Comp (130p)	224		
Underwoods (180p)	181		
Usher (Frank) (100p)	101		
Wellcome (120p)	185	-1	
Wickes (140p)	181		
RIGHTS ISSUES			
EIS N/P	15		
F&C Euro N/P	10	-1	
Greycoat N/P	258		
Hestair N/P	10		
Intl Leisure F/P			
Low & Bonar N/P	53	-12	
Ratners N/P	45		
Saatchi & S N/P	40	-6	
Sale Tilney N/P	9		
Share Drug F/P	350		

(Issue price in brackets).

RACS rescue hits profits at CWS

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

The Co-operative Wholesale Society (CWS) yesterday reported depressed profits following the absorption of south London's loss-making Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society (RACS) at the beginning of last year. Borrowings were pushed up £22 million in the financial year to mid-January.

Mr Dennis Landau, CWS chief executive, said of the RACS rescue: "It was an enormous and daunting financial prospect and a big management challenge."

But trading losses at the RACS were slashed during the year as a big refurbishing drive went ahead, leaving the overall CWS trading profit up 8.7 per cent at £21.2 million on sales of £2.344 billion, also up almost 8.7 per cent. However, a near £5 million jump in interest charges on borrowings reduced CWS profits after interest to £14 million compared with £15.5 million the previous year.

CWS, which is based in Manchester, is the biggest single organization in the co-operative movement. Traditionally it has been the wholesaling and manufacturing supplier to the independent retail societies. But it has also emerged as an important retailer in its own right since merging with RACS at the beginning of last year and taking on South Suburban, another troubled south London society, the year before. Retailing now accounts for more than a fifth of CWS turnover.

Announcing the CWS annual results in London, Mr Landau said the trading profit was far better than expected in view of the considerable extra commitments taken on.

Profits from the CWS tea estates in India, which were at a record level in 1984, were hit last year, dropping by £1 million.

Mr Landau said: "One important consequence of the Royal Arsenal transfer of engagements to CWS has been a substantial increase in CWS borrowing and this, combined with high interest rates, has imposed a significant cost penalty."

CWS retail operations covering the old Royal Arsenal and South Suburban areas had trading losses in the year of £2.8 million. When CWS took over the Royal Arsenal that society alone was running at a trading loss of about £10 million a year.

The Co-op as a whole has its toughest battle with supermarket chains like J.Sainsbury and Tesco Stores in the South-east. And it faces increased competition from other grocery chains such as Asda and Safeway.

But Mr Landau claimed that considerable progress had been made south of the Thames, with more than 60 stores refurbished.

And there was now a prospect that the contraction of overall Co-op selling space had been reversed. Development of smaller Co-op outlets as new-style convenience stores under the Late Late Supershop banner looked likely to provide a way of keeping good sites within the Co-op.

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Another optical fibre 'first' for Florida network

The first Plessey export high-speed optical fibre communications system is now in service for the United Telephone Company of Florida.

Installed by Stromberg-Carlson Corporation, the Florida-based telecommunications subsidiary of Plessey, the new 565 Mbit/s transmission system links several of United's exchanges.

The system will eventually extend for more than 300 miles with numerous spurs along the route.

MODERNISATION

This programme of modernisation includes upgrading the 140 Mbit/s Lightwave systems already supplied by Plessey to 565 Mbit/s.

In future, United Telephone's high density Florida traffic will be carried on optical fibre systems, with most of its routes operating at 565 Mbit/s.

For more than a decade Plessey has been developing and combining the technologies of opto electronic devices, digital multiplexing, digital line systems and optical fibre connectors to create optical fibre transmission systems second to none.



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Today, worldwide, there are over 11,000 km of Plessey optical fibre systems carrying operational traffic, under installation or on order.

With this success, Plessey has notched up a string of firsts.

They include one of the first optical fibre systems to carry normal traffic in the UK, the first long-wavelength optical fibre system in normal traffic service in the world, Britain's longest optical fibre link (at the time the longest operational unrepeatered optical fibre link in the world) and the world's first commercial contract for a 565 Mbit/s optical fibre system carrying operational traffic, now installed between Nottingham and Sheffield.

'Friend or Foe' system made far safer

A new Plessey 'who goes there' electronic test system has been ordered by the MoD.

Called Plessey ALTF (Automatic Launch Test Facility) it will automatically check an aircraft's Identification Friend or Foe equipment before take off.

This will prevent aircraft from taking off with faulty identification systems, and thus risking attack from their own side as well as hostile forces.

The new Plessey system will be used at RAF airfields in the UK and abroad, and there are possible orders from NATO countries also.

Office security

Plessey has launched two new electronic systems to make office telephones and facsimile machines far more confidential.

The Plessey Voicelok 100 Secure Telephone uses an encryption device in a standard push-button type phone to scramble voice in digital form.

To talk in secure mode, both parties press a red button on their Voiceloks. After a code is keyed in, all conversation becomes completely unintelligible to anyone accidentally or deliberately intercepting it.

FAX SECURITY, TOO

With its Faxlok data encryption unit, Plessey can prevent facsimile messages being sent to unauthorised addresses or being intercepted.

The unit connects to Group 3 fax machines operating at speeds up to 9.6kbit/s and automatically sends in secure mode unless otherwise instructed. If the receiver lacks Faxlok, or the current encryption code, the transmission is terminated.

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Plessey at Comms '86

An outstanding opportunity to see just how wide-reaching Plessey is in communications will be on Stand F22/30 at Communications 86, to be held at the National Exhibition Centre at Birmingham from May 13 to May 16.

On display will be exchange racks for System X, British Telecom's new public digital exchanges for which Plessey is prime development contractor.

Also exhibited is the Plessey ISDX family of digital exchanges for business – for thirty to thousands of lines which make available truly integrated communication of voice, text and data.

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1	McInerney	Property	
2	Allied Irish	Banks, Discount	
3	Stand Secs	Property	
4	Allied-Lyons	Breweries	
5	Utd Leasing	Electricals	
6	Portals	Industrials L-R	
7	Electronic Mach	Electricals	
8	Ranger	Oil	
9	Centreway	Finance,Land	
10	Br Aerospace	Motors,Aircraft	
11	Wilkes (James)	Industrials S-Z	
12	Hambro	Finance,Land	
13	Rotaflex	Electricals	
14	Sutcliffe Speakman	Chemicals,Plas	
15	Erith	Building,Roads	
16	Manchester Ship	Industrials L-R	
17	Ratners Jewellers	Drapery,Stores	
18	TNT	Industrials S-Z	
19	Atwoods	Buildings,Roads	
20	Logica	Electricals	
21	Countryside	Building,Roads	
22	Ford Motor	Motors,Aircraft	
23	Ibstock Johnsen	Building,Road	
24	Barlow Rand	Industrials A-D	
25	Aberdeen Constr	Building,Roads	
26	Waterford Glass	Industrials S-Z	
27	Aitken Hume	Finance,Land	
28	Casket (S)	Drapery,Stores	
29	Campari	Leisure	
30	Bilton (P)	Property	
31	Rotork	Industrials L-R	
32	Silentnight	Industrials S-Z	
33	Gerber Energy	Oil	
34	Hazlewood Foods	Foods	
35	Samuelson Gp	Leisure	
36	Prichard Serv	Industrials L-R	
37	Appleyard	Motors,Aircraft	
38	Cullens	Foods	
39	Wholesale Fitting	Electricals	
40	ERF	Motors,Aircraft	
41	Redfearn Glass	Industrials L-R	
42	Sketchley	Industrials S-Z	
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1985 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
100¼	94½	Treas 12% 1985	100¼	●..	12.0	..
99⅝	87¼	Treas 8¼% 1984-86	99⅝	..	8.5	..
97¼	94¼	Exch 2½% 1986	97¾	●..	2.6	..
102¾	100½	Exch 14% 1986	101½	-⅛	13.7	..
103	100½	Exch 13½% 1987	102½	-⅛	12.9	..
100¼	93⅞	Treas C10½% 1987	100½	..	10.2	..
96½	92½	Exch 2½% 1987	96⅝	..	2.6	..
101½	97⅞	Exch 10½% 1987	100¼	-⅛	10.4	..
98¼	93⅝	Fund 6½% 1985-87	98⅛	-⅛	6.6	..
101¼	96⅝	Treas 10% 1987	100⅝	●+¼	9.9	..
99	90½	Treas 3% 1987	95⅛	-⅛	3.1	..
104½	97½	Treas 12% 1987	103⅞	-⅛	11.6	..
99⅛	92⅞	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	98⅞	-⅛	7.8	..
104⅛	96½	Exch 10½% 1988	102¾	-⅛	10.2	..
102¾	94⅞	Treas C9¾% 1988	101	-⅛	9.6	..
92⅛	86½	Trans 3% 1978-88	92½	-⅛	3.2	..
102⅝	93⅝	Treas 9½% 1988	101	-⅛	9.4	..
107⅝	99⅞	Treas 11½% 1989	106	-⅛	10.8	..
105⅜	95½	Treas 10½% 1989	104	-⅛	10.1	..
104½	93½	Exch 10% 1989	102⅞	-⅛	9.7	..
111⅛	94⅝	Exch 10½% 1989	107⅝	●-⅛	9.5	..
83⅝	78½	Exch 3% 1990	83⅞	-⅛	3.0	..
107½	94	Exch 11% 1990	105⅛	-⅛	10.4	..
92⅛	84½	Treas 5% 1986-89	92⅛	-⅛	5.4	..
108¼	94½	Exch 11% 1990	108¼	-⅛	10.3	..
103¼	92⅝	Treas C9¾% 1989	101¼	-⅛	9.8	..
90⅞	82⅝	Treas 3% 1989	90⅞	●-⅛	3.3	..
114¼	103½	Treas 13% 1990	112⅞	-⅛	11.5	..
113¼	101½	Exch 12½% 1990	111⅛	-⅛	11.2	..
87⅝	79⅝	Treas 3% 1990	87½	●..	3.4	..
100⅝	89½	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	99⅝	-⅛	8.3	..
105½	92¼	Treas 10% 1990	104⅛	-⅛	9.6	..
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
112¼	99	Treas 11¾% 1991	110¼	-⅛	10.6	..
94	84½	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	93⅞	-⅛	6.1	..
110⅛	98⅛	Exch 11% 1991	109	-⅛	10.1	..
118⅛	103	Treas 12¾% 1992	116⅞	-⅛	10.9	..
107¼	91¼	Treas 10% 1992	105⅛	-⅛	9.5	..
109⅝	95½	Treas C10% 1992	107⅛	●-⅛	9.8	..
117½	100⅞	Exch 12¼% 1992	115⅛	-⅛	10.6	..
123½	102½	Exch 13½% 1992	121⅝	-⅛	11.1	..
108	94⅛	Treas 10% 1993	105½	-⅛	9.5	..
121⅛	103⅞	Treas 12½% 1993	118⅞	-⅛	10.5	..
91¼	79½	Fund 6% 1993	90⅞	-⅛	6.7	..
128	111¼	Treas 13¾% 1993	125⅞	●-⅛	10.9	..
133⅛	105⅞	Treas 14½% 1994	130¼	-⅛	11.1	..
127½	110½	Exch 12½% 1994	124⅞	-⅛	10.8	..
122½	97⅝	Exch 13½% 1994	119⅞	-⅛	10.4	..
103⅛	88½	Treas 9% 1994	101⅞	-⅛	8.8	..
120	100⅝	Treas 12% 1995	117⅞	-⅛	10.2	..
78⅞	66½	Gas 3% 1990-95	77⅝	-⅛	3.9	..
110¾	91⅞	Exch 10½% 1995	108	-⅛	9.5	..
126	108⅞	Treas 12¾% 1995	123⅞	-⅛	10.3	..
133⅝	112½	Treas 14% 1996	130⅞	-⅛	10.7	..
103⅞	87	Treas 9% 1992-96	101⅞	-⅛	8.9	..
142⅝	122½	Treas 15¼% 1996	139⅝	-1	10.9	..
130½	111⅞	Exch 13¼% 1996	127⅝	-⅛	10.4	..
84⅝	74½	Rdmpt 3% 1986	83⅞	-⅛	3.6	..
131	110	Treas 13¼% 1997	128⅛	-⅛	10.3	..
112⅝	93½	Exch 10½% 1997	110⅛	-⅛	9.5	..
101¼	79⅛	Treas 8¾% 1997	99⅛	-⅛	8.8	..
142½	122⅞	Exch 15% 1997	140	-⅛	10.7	..
88⅞	73⅛	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	86	-⅛	7.8	..
107⅛	89½	Exch 9½% 1998	105	-⅛	9.3	..
148⅝	126⅞	Treas 15½% 1998	145⅞	-⅛	10.8	..
124½	105⅛	Exch 12% 1998	121⅞	●-⅛	9.9	..
107⅛	86½	Treas 9½% 1999	104¼	-⅛	9.1	..
126½	103¼	Exch 12¼% 1999	123⅛	-⅛	9.9	..
114	96¼	Treas 10½% 1999	111	●-⅛	9.5	..
112⅛	94½	Conv 10¼% 1999	109⅛	●-⅛	9.4	..
133½	111⅞	Treas 13% 2000	130⅞	-⅛	10.0	..
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
111⅛	91⅞	Treas 10% 2001	108¼	-⅛	9.2	..
109⅝	89⅞	Conv 9¾% 2001	106¼	-⅛	9.2	..
109⅝	96⅛	Conv 9% 2000	100⅞	-⅛	9.0	..
137½	117⅛	Treas 14% 1998-01	134⅝	●-⅛	10.4	..
111⅛	94½	Conv 10% 2002	108¼	-⅛	9.2	..
124⅛	103⅝	Exch 12% 1999-02	121⅞	-⅛	9.9	..
109⅛	90	Treas 9¾% 2002	106⅝	-⅛	9.2	..
112½	93⅛	Treas 10% 2003	109	-⅛	9.2	..
139⅛	118¼	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	136	-⅛	10.1	..
128½	104	Treas 11½% 2001-04	120	-⅛	9.6	..
112¼	94⅞	Treas 10% 2004	109⅞	-⅛	9.2	..
60½	48⅝	Fund 3½% 1999-04	58⅛	-⅛	6.0	..
108⅝	90⅛	Conv 9½% 2004	104⅞	-⅛	9.1	..
108⅜	90⅞	Conv 9½% 2005	105	-⅛	9.0	..
117⅝	94⅞	Exch 10½% 2005	114	-⅛	9.2	..
134⅛	112⅞	Treas 12½% 2003-05	130⅛	●-⅛	9.6	..
95⅝	79¼	Treas 8% 2002-06	92	-⅛	8.7	..
127⅛	104⅞	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	123⅛	-1	9.5	..
143⅛	115⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	139⅛	-⅛	9.7	..
24½	22¼	Treas 8% 2009 £25	22¼	-1⅛	36.0	..
95½	93¼	Treas 8% 2009	93¼	-1⅛	8.6	..
72⅛	57½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	68⅛	-⅛	8.0	..
93⅞	75¼	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	89⅞	-⅛	8.6	..
135	113½	Exch 12% 2013-17	132⅛	●-1	9.1	..
UNDATED						
46⅝	38½	Consols 4%	45½	-⅛	8.7	..
42	34¼	War Ln 3½%	40½	-⅛	8.6	..
52⅜	44⅝	Conv 3½%	52¼	-⅛	6.7	..
34½	29¼	Treas 3%	34⅛	-⅛	8.7	..
29⅝	24½	Consols 2½%	29¼	-⅛	8.6	..
29⅝	24⅝	Treas 2½%	29¼	-⅛	8.6	..
INDEX-LINKED						
122⅛	114⅛	Treas IL 2% 1988	122	..	2.1	..
105⅛	98½	Treas IL 2% 1990	105⅛	..	2.2	..
117⅛	109⅝	Treas IL 2% 1996	117½	..	2.4	..
104⅝	95⅛	Treas IL2½% 2001	104⅝	+⅛	2.8	..
104½	93½	Treas IL2% 2003	104½	●+⅛	2.8	..
107⅝	98⅛	Treas IL 2% 2006	107⅛	+⅛	2.8	..
103⅝	93⅞	Treas IL2½% 2009	103⅛	●+⅛	2.9	..
109⅛	97	Treas IL2½% 2011	109⅛	+½	2.9	..
93⅝	79⅝	Treas IL2½% 2013	92⅛	+⅛	2.9	..
101	87⅛	Treas IL2½% 2016	100⅝	+⅛	2.9	..
99⅛	85⅛	Treas IL2½% 2020	99¼	+⅛	2.9	..

Share prices

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
16⅛	11⅝	Schroders	£14⅛	●..	30.7	2.2	18.9
55	33	Smith St Aubyn	52	..	1.0	1.9	4.7
894	419	Stand Chart	814	●-10	43.6	5.4	9.5
816	613	Union	763	-5	52.9	6.9	76.8
62⅝	43⅞	Wells Fargo	£58⅜	+⅛	..	..	..
320	220	Wintrust	270	-5	7.1	2.6	17.1
BREWERIES							
336	248	Allied-Lyons	306	+3	11.6	3.8	18.1
840	620	Bass	785	-15	21.0	2.7	16.3
50	38	Belhaven	44	..	1.1	2.5	24.3
144	85	Boddingtons	143	-1	4.6	3.2	18.0
500	375	Brown (Matthew)	480	..	20.0	4.2	17.6
182	147	Bulmer (H P)	167	-5	7.0	4.2	13.5
560	405	Burtonwood Brew	550	..	14.3	2.6	12.9
515	410	Clark (Matthew)	515	..	10.7	2.1	20.8
830	640	Devenish (J A)	810	..	18.6	2.3	23.7
723	488	Distillers	671	-7	21.4	3.2	13.7
204	155	Greenall Whitley	187	-3	7.9	4.2	13.4
243	183	Greene King	235	-3	7.2	3.1	16.7
355	275	Guinness	308	-5	10.3	3.3	11.7
483	405	Hardys & Hansons	483	..	24.1	5.0	12.5
88	69	Highland Dist	83	●..	2.9	3.5	16.8
179	158	Invergordon Dist	168	●..	6.8	4.1	10.8
268	173	Irish Dist	251	-9	6.0	2.3	..
114	77	Marston Thompson	112	-2	2.9	2.6	19.3
251	217	Morland	249	..	9.1	3.7	13.8
248	153	SA Breweries	190	+5	..	..	..
234	163	Scot & New	197	-4	10.0	5.1	13.4
39⅛	30⅝	Seagram	£37⅛	+⅛	41.1	1.1	..
540	353	Vaux	430	-15	15.8	3.7	16.8
313	223	Whitbread 'A'	275	-8	10.2	3.7	14.0
315	226	Do 'B'	283	-7	10.2	3.6	14.4
251	188	Whitbread Inv	235	..	9.9	4.2	34.7
505	410	Wolvrhmptn & D	493	-2	12.2	2.5	18.0
315	195	Young 'A'	300	-10	9.4	3.1	24.0
BUILDINGS AND ROADS							
268	218	Aberdeen Constr	264	+2	11.4	4.3	8.3
297	213	Amec	273	-3	15.7	5.8	14.8
60	52	Amcliffe	58	●+2	0.1	0.2	8.9
168	125	Atwoods	165	+2	6.1	3.7	15.1
488	331	BPB Industries	471	-12	11.8	2.5	18.8
377	284	Baggeridge Brick	364	..	9.8	2.7	13.2
150	114	Barratt Devs	146	●-2	10.9	7.4	..
27	22	Bailey(Ben) Constr	22	..	..	..	4.4
182	128	Bellway	176	-2	10.0	5.7	19.8
84	65	Benford Concrete	83	●..	5.4	6.5	24.7
83	65	Bett Bros	71	..	4.4	6.2	20.0
975	675	Blockleys	935	●..	37.1	4.0	12.4
726	531	Blue Circle	705	-3	30.0	4.3	11.5
270	235	Breedon&Cloud Hill	263	●..	14.3	5.4	18.7
152	73	Brickhouse Dudley	144	-2	5.1b	3.5	20.9
91	81	Br Dredging	80	●-1	4.3	5.4	12.9
29	16	Brown & Jackson	22	-½	..	..	15.2
71	55	Brownlee	68	..	4.4	6.5	7.6
127	84	Bryant	121	●-4	4.9	4.0	15.3
27	15	Burnett & Hallam	19	-1	5.7	30.0	2.1
116	85	Cement-Roadstone	116	..	4.0	3.4	..
83	60	Condor Grp	82	●..	2.5	3.0	11.8
566	462	Costain	516	-10	24.3	4.7	9.4
412	298	Countryside	412	+4	8.2	2.0	11.1
156	124	Crouch (Derek)	136	-2	8.5	6.3	9.9
104	84	Dew (George)	95	+1	8.6	9.1	13.4
95	72	Douglas (RM)	88	..	2.5b	2.9	15.3
96	63	Erith	96	●+4	4.7	4.9	13.5
91	75	Feb	75	..	4.2	5.6	10.2
70	56	Do 'A'	56	..	4.2	7.5	7.6
68	54	Finlan Gp	60	..	5.4	9.0	23.4
94	80	Galliford	90	..	6.3	7.0	14.8
131	106	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	131	●..	2.6	2.0	36.3
376	254	Gleeson (MJ)	370	..	7.9	2.1	12.8
113	95	HAT	107	-1	5.4	5.0	11.1
192	56	Helical Bar	158	-12	..	..	45.1
78	42	Hewden-Stuart	77	..	2.4	3.1	13.6
224	149	Heywood Williams	214	..	9.6	4.5	14.0
620	428	Higgs & Hill	595	●-2	19.4	3.3	13.0
198	130	Ibstock Johnsen	198	●+1	6.9	3.5	14.3
355	265	Jarvis (J) & Sons	315	..	25.0e	7.9	10.8
451	256	Laing (J)	446	●-3	10.0	2.2	12.5
447	266	Do 'A'	436	●-3	10.0	2.3	12.2
105	78	Lawrence (Walter)	98	●+1	5.2	5.3	7.1
91	71	Lilley (FJC)	84	-3	5.5	6.5	10.9
429	290	Lovell (YJ)	428	..	10.0	2.3	15.1
198	126	Magnet & South	168	-8	6.7	4.0	17.4
230	178	Manders	227	●-3	11.6	5.1	13.7
193	161	Marshalls (Halifax)	180	-8	7.1b	3.9	13.3
136	99	May & Hassell	128	..	5.4e	4.2	..
435	304	McAlpine (Alfred)	420	..	17.9	4.2	13.9
259	171	Meyer Int	249	-3	7.7	3.1	13.7
27	23	Miller (Stanley)	25	●..	1.4	5.6	..
126	109	Monk (A)	111	..	9.3	8.4	15.0
444	306	Mowlem (John)	388	●-2	22.9b	5.9	12.8
920	730	Newarthill	880	-10	15.7	1.8	17.8
213	163	Nottingham Brick	210	..	9.3	4.4	15.7
234	118	Persimmon	224	+6	7.5	3.3	12.5
110	87	Phoenix Timber	93	-2	4.3	4.6	3.5
395	285	Pochins	370	..	18.4	5.0	8.2
672	440	RMC	652	●-8	20.0	3.1	14.4
482	340	Redland	418	●-8	15.5	3.7	15.4
350	150	Roberts Adlard	250	●..	10.0	4.0	28.9
323	188	Ruberoid	308	●-2	12.3	4.0	10.9
191	132½	Rugby Cement	175½	●-2	9.1	5.2	11.9
374	228	SGB	332	-8	14.3	4.1	12.7
108	87	Sharpe & Fisher	108	..	3.3	3.1	16.1
83	70	Smart (J)	82	-1	6.2	7.6	17.4
515	342	Tarmac	464	-8	13.4	2.9	16.5
635	473	Taylor Woodrow	603	..	24.6	4.1	12.3
152	140	Tilbury Group	152	..	7.6	5.0	11.2
413	328	Travis & Arnold	405	●-8	12.2	3.0	14.2
101	78	Trent	84	..	1.6	1.9	10.1
175	138	Tunnel	138	●-2	10.0	7.2	15.2
301	195	Vibroplant	294	..	13.4	4.6	12.9
288	245	Ward	268	-6	10.4	3.9	15.1
72	58	Warrington (T)	72	..	1.4	1.9	8.2
204	174	Watts Blake	189	●-1	6.6	3.5	12.5
82	67	Western Bros	78	..	1.4a	1.8	15.6
55	41	Wiggins	50	..	..	..	..
514	314	Wilson (Connolly)	508	●-4	5.7	1.1	18.9
192	120	Wimpey (George)	183	-8	5.4	3.0	12.2
CHEMICALS, PLASTICS							
48	36½	AKZO N/V Bearer	£42½	-¼	400	9.5	..
185	160	Allied Colloids	183	-6	3.3	1.8	19.1
393	291	Amersham	378	-10	8.9	2.4	18.4
241	180	Anchor Chemical	212	●-2	6.1	2.9	12.8
158	108	BTP	155	-2	5.7	3.7	22.6
111	76½	Bayer DM50	£80½	-½	700	7.7	..
128	102	Blagden	122	..	10.3	8.4	18.5
189	112	Brent Chems	156	●-2	6.0	3.8	18.0
87	57½	Br Benzol	79	-1	..	..	57.8
136	82	Canning (W)	133	..	8.1	3.6	22.1
285	245	Coalite	259	-1	8.5	3.3	13.2
180	140	Coates Bros	148	..	6.6	4.5	8.4
142	112	Do 'A'	139	..	6.6	4.9	8.6
20	15	Cory (Horace)	18½	-1	0.9	4.9	8.2
163	127	Croda	157	-1	10.0	6.4	13.0
131	100	Do Dfd	129	-1	..	..	10.7
245	172	Ellis & Everard	198	-5	8.8	4.4	17.3
298	215	Fosceo-Minsep	274	-2	12.9	4.7	11.5
180	113	Halstead (James)	145	●-4	6.4	4.4	11.2
453	350	Hickson	443	-3	21.4	4.8	11.4
101¼	79	Hoechst DM50	£87⅛	-1	..	..	..
10	734	Imp Chem Ind	984	-7	47.1	5.0	10.5
410	335	Laporte	383	●-2	11.8	3.3	14.4
118	102	Leigh	112	-2	4.7	4.2	17.7
225	179	Plysu	220	..	3.3	1.5	22.7
85	62	Reabrook Hldgs	74	●..	3.6	4.9	8.5
176	134½	Rentokil	145	●..	3.5	2.4	18.2
322	216	SNIA BPD	321	..	..	..	..
65	38	Sutcliffe Speakman	62	+1	..	..	58.0
213	185	Wolstenholme Rink	188	-2	11.1	5.9	19.8
136	87	Yorkshire Chem	123	-1	4.3	3.5	11.1
CINEMAS AND TV							
225	176	Anglia TV 'A'	220	●..	12.9	5.9	15.1
45	27	Grampian	45	●..	2.8	6.4	6.5
240	176	HTV N/V	208	..	11.4	5.5	9.5
350	263	LWT Hldgs	349	..	21.3	6.1	14.0
337	189	Scot TV 'A'	337	●+2	15.0	4.5	10.4
225	153	TVS N/V	225	+2	11.4	5.1	10.8
43	31	TSW	39	●..	2.8	6.7	10.7
DRAPERY AND STORES							
140	90	Alexon	137	..	3.5	2.6	19.8
98	63	Aquascutum 'A'	74	●..	3.6	4.9	18.2
98	79	Beattie (James) 'A'	93	+1	3.8	4.1	13.0
208	135	Bentalls	163	●..	3.3	2.0	33.5
18	6½	Blacks Lsre	12	..	..	..	..
590	387	Body Shop	580	+5	2.1	0.4	54.9
62	48	Bremner	48	..	1.4	2.9	35.8
605	525	Brown (N)	570	..	13.9	2.4	29.1
356	236	Burton	296	-10	6.8	2.3	20.4
174	84	Cantors 'A'	162	..	3.2	2.0	41.6
53	41	Casket (S)	50	+4	3.1	6.2	9.6
355	305	Church	330	●..	12.1	3.7	13.3
584	426	Costa Viyella	510	+6	17.1b	3.4	15.2
268	145	Combined English	221	●-7	9.6	4.3	19.1
152	118	Courts (Furn) 'A'	128	..	6.7	5.2	10.7
365	305	DAKS Simpson 'A'	355	..	8.6	2.4	13.7
102	82	Dewhirst (IJ)	100	●..	1.6	1.6	17.6
438	215	Dixons Grp	338	-6	4.3	1.3	37.5
468	346	Dunhill	445	-9	6.1	1.4	22.5
83	73	Ellis & Goldstein	76	●-½	3.5	4.6	8.4
715	510	Elys (Wimbledon)	690	●..	13.6	2.0	25.7
213	134	Empire Stores	206	-8	5.4	2.6	18.9
274	164	Etam	234	-8	6.1	2.6	18.2
134	39	Executor Clothes	108	-2	2.9	2.7	6.5
155	105	Fine Art Dev	140	-5	4.7	3.4	25.0
133½	51	Ford (Martin)	70	..	..	..	..
195	153	Forminster	193	..	8.6	4.5	8.9
462	310	Freemans	420	●-8	10.0	2.4	16.9
110	65	Gelfer (AJ)	95	..	7.7b	8.1	8.6
80	54	Gent SR	62	●..	1.4	2.3	37.3
149	89	Goldberg (A)	138	..	2.1	1.5	..
228	172	Goldsmiths Gp	216	-10	10.7	5.0	15.2
458	304	Gratton	412	●-8	8.6	2.1	15.1
14½	830	GUS	£13	..	26.8	2.1	21.2
11	721	Do 'A'	£10⅛	-⅛	26.8	2.6	16.9
316	196	Harris Queensway	248	-28	5.5	2.4	22.9
33	25	Helene Of London	27	-1	2.3	8.4	8.9
43	36	Hollas	41	..	3.0	7.3	17.1
143	102	House Of Lerose	138	●-1	12.0	8.7	9.0
88	78	Jones (Ernest)	84	..	5.8	6.9	18.1
38	24	Ladies Pride	31	..	1.1	3.5	23.0
132	112	LCP	117	..	6.0	5.1	20.0
226	136	Lee Cooper	181	+6	6.0	3.3	7.3
830	750	Liberty	800	..	11.1	1.4	27.7
179	137	Lincroft Kilgour	190	..	10.0	5.3	13.1
231	163	Marks & Spencer	205	-3	5.1	2.5	29.9
350	266	Menzies (John)	308	-8	5.8	1.9	15.6
195	180	Milletts Leisure	185	..	2.9	1.6	49.6
635	565	Moss Bros	595	-10	8.2	1.4	28.8
168	112	NSS Newsagents	168	-2	5.1	3.1	17.3
297	169	Next	273	●-1	5.8	2.1	31.5
353	313	Oliver (G)	320	●..	12.9	4.0	18.8
705	505	Our Price	615	..	7.1	1.2	38.8
81	55	Pentos	74½	●-1	1.0	1.3	19.4
112	100	Preedy (Alfred)	110	..	6.6	6.0	18.8
161	105	Ratners (Jewellers)	157	r+6	4.3b	2.7	18.5
47	31	Raybeck	43½	..	0.7	1.6	..
370	220	Reed (Austin)	360	●..	7.9	2.2	28.5
178	135	Do 'A'	161	●..	7.9	4.9	12.8
36	31	S & U Stores	35	..	..	..	28.9
290	160	Samuel (H)	290	+10	6.0	2.1	74.4
129	72	Do 'A'	124	+9	6.0	4.8	31.8
148½	102	Sears	120	-2	4.4	3.7	15.8
364	234	Smith (WH) 'A'	304	-8	8.6	2.8	17.6
72	47	Do 'B'	61	-1	1.7n	2.8	17.7
90	65	Stanley (AG)	82	●-1	3.6	4.4	13.4
365	273	Storehouse	293	-8	11.0	3.8	18.2
24½	16	Stormgard	23	-1	..	..	38.3
42	27	Sumrie Clothes	30	..	..	..	..
523	413	Superdrug Stores	505	-5	7.1	1.4	27.2
75	40	Tern-Consulate	69	..	2.9e	4.2	15.2
76	57½	Time Products	76	..	2.5	3.3	15.8
196	180	Underwoods	181	..	2.4	1.3	32.3
370	173	WW Group	343	●..	11.3	3.3	10.5
334	235	Ward White	310	-4	9.3	3.0	13.1
120	98	Wigfalls	110	..	3.6e	3.3	..
925	430	Woolworth	825	-10	14.3	1.7	21.9
ELECTRICALS							
355	180	AB Elect	345	●-5	11.4	3.3	25.7
552	180	Amstrad	462	-10	1.6	0.3	36.5
99	61	Apricot Computers	94	-3	2.1b	2.2	7.4
80	63	Arlen	73	..	..	..	..
300	205	Atlantic Comp	275	●-5	3.6	1.3	8.8
56	46	Audio Fidelity	58	..	..	..	17.9
220	140	Auto Sec	205	●-3	2.1	1.0	14.6
370	240	BICC	338	●-10	16.7	4.8	16.9
138	64	BSR	125	●-8	2.4	1.9	6.8
535	379	Bowthorpe	530	-5	10.0	1.9	18.2
280	217	Br Telecom	226	-2	9.9	4.4	14.9
112	75	Brown Boveri Kent	102	+1	4.3	4.2	9.8
19	11½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	16½	..	1.9	11.5	36.4
152	87	CASE	94	-3	1.9	2.0	7.9
738	568	Cable & Wireless	650	-5	13.6	2.1	21.6
318	236	Cambridge Elec	296	●-3	10.6	3.6	17.9
243	183	CAP Gp	220	..	2.1	1.0	..
57	37	Chloride	51	..	..	..	12.0
225	149	Do 7½% CPF	207	-15	..	..	..
352	203	Comcap	348	●..	2.1	0.6	17.1
318	250	Cray Elect	313	..	4.6	1.5	35.5
225	140	Crystalate	211	..	6.1	2.9	12.8
79	63	Dale Elect	75	..	6.4	8.5	24.8
200	155	Datasery	178	-2	1.0	0.6	..
50	29½	Dewhurst 'A'	48	..	1.3	3.1	11.9
365	262	Domino	365	..	2.5	0.7	24.6
50	40½	Dowding & Mills	44	●..	2.1	4.8	14.0
212	162	Dubilier	168	-2	4.0	2.4	12.3
445	365	Electrocomponents	413	-19	7.9	1.9	23.6
65	48	Electronic Mach	68	+1	1.0	1.5	90.4
62	42	Electronic Rentals	58	..	4.6	7.9	22.8
325	287	Emess Lighting	312	●-5	7.9	2.5	21.9
380	295	Eurotherm	320	-25	6.8	2.1	17.2
253	185	Farnell Elect	198	-12	3.1	1.6	21.2
158	122	Ferranti	136	-6	2.3	1.8	17.4
53	25	Forward Tech	52	●..	0.7	1.3	20.8
218	156	GEC	195	-8	5.8	3.0	13.4
121	90	Grosvenor	121	..	8.2e	6.8	10.1
112	88	Highland Elect	112	+9	3.6	3.2	14.3
193	130	ISL	133	-2	1.7	1.3	16.6
373	278	Int Signal & Control	280	-5	1.0	0.3	..
248	178	Jones Stroud	225	..	10.7	4.8	10.8
148	85	Kode	143	●-2	7.1	5.0	28.9
323	233	Lec Refrigeration	280	+10	17.9	6.4	10.8
201	124	Logica	164	+2	1.4e	0.9	17.7
424	270	MK Elect	395	-8	14.6	3.7	18.0
483	380	Memec	370	●-5	4.3	1.2	28.8
86	54	Micro BS	66	..	0.7	1.1	10.4
250	150	Micro Focus	205	-5	..	..	..
58	33	Multitone Elect	53	..	4.0e	7.5	39.8
65	58	Murray Elect	58	..	0.1n	0.2	..
38	28	Newman	36	●..	1.1	3.1	54.5
280	241½	Newmark (Louis)	290	..	19.3	6.7	13.2
107	81	NEI	94	●-2	7.5	8.0	8.2
49	23	Oceonics	28	..	1.1	4.2	5.3
577	393	Oxford Instruments	532	-7	2.0	0.4	26.8
32	18	Phicom	20	●..	1.6	8.0	10.0
164½	139	Philips Fin 5¼%	£151	..	575	3.8	..
17½	14⅝	Philips Lamps N/V	£14⅜	-1⅛	..	..	..
185	160	Pilco	173	..	7.5	4.3	9.4
160	120	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	138	..	7.5	5.4	7.6
246	182	Plessey	218	-8	6.6	3.0	17.4
24⅝	15½	Do ADR 25	£22⅝	-⅛	..	..	..
158	118	Pressac	121	●..	3.1	2.6	17.6
45	22	Quest Automation	29	..	..	..	19.5
234	160	Racal Elect	220	-8	4.3	2.0	14.1
343	156	Rotaflex	343	+5	7.1	2.1	18.5
615	445	Scholes (GH)	615	●..	31.4	5.1	13.8
118	74	Shorrock	108	●-2	2.7	2.5	19.7
54	31½	Sound Diffusion	32½	-1	0.6	1.6	6.3
168	95	STC	142	-6	..	..	13.2
216	158	Stone Intl	198	-2	6.5	3.3	12.4
134	84	System Designers	113	●-1	0.6	0.5	27.9
16⅛	13⅛	TDK	£16⅝	..	..	..	..
218	170	Telephone Rentals	205	..	10.0	4.9	15.3
125	78	Telemetrix	78	..	2.5	3.2	4.4
529	374	Thorn EMI	487	-7	25.0	5.1	17.4
215	170	Thorpe (FW)	215	●..	6.1	2.8	10.7
380	225	Tunstall	310	-2	2.4	0.8	21.4
284	205	UEI	282	..	7.5	2.7	25.2
273	213	Unitech	233	-12	8.5	3.8	12.5
285	248	Utd Leasing	285	+5	5.3	1.9	8.0
190	130	Utd Scientific	130	-5	8.1	6.2	19.7
450	320	VG Instruments	445	●-5	3.6	0.8	27.2
315	225	Volex	310	-3	11.4	3.7	12.9
108	54	Western Selection	98	..	3.9	4.0	23.0
103	83	Whitworth Elect	83	..	2.2	2.7	12.7
285	230	Wholesale Fitting	270	+2	9.8	3.6	13.8
FINANCE AND LAND							
246	228	Abingworth	240	-2	1.8	0.8	..
164	128	Aitken Hume	158	+6	11.0	7.0	6.6
510	300	Antofagasta	493	●..	27.5	5.6	4.6
178	110	Berkley Tech	178	..	..	..	..
25	20	Camellia	£20	..	17.1	0.9	80.3
250	194	Candover	250	..	5.7	2.3	39.5
43	16	Centreway	43	+3	..	..	..
27½	17	Equity & Gen	24	+1	1.3	5.4	10.8
363	183	Hambro	335	+7	10.4	3.1	48.0
185	163	Ivory & Sime	170	..	6.1	3.6	29.7
194	153	Majedie	188	..	8.9	4.8	28.6
46	37	Nat Home Loans	38	-1	..	..	..
49	40	Do 8%	£45	+2	800	17.8	..
148	114	Newmarket	141	-1	..	..	..
FOODS							
160	128	ASDA-MFI	150	-4	4.1	2.7	19.1
37	21	Alpine Drinks	30	-1	2.6	8.7	..
381	330	Argyll	355	-3	11.1	3.1	17.2
366	236	AB Food	324	-8	8.0	2.5	15.5
126	99	Assoc Fisheries	99	-1	4.6	4.6	28.5
607	524	Avana	562	-10	16.8	3.0	17.2
330	240	Banks (Sidney C)	315	-10	14.6	4.6	9.3
15½	11½	Barker & Dobson	13¼	-½	..	..	21.4
335	230	Barr (AG)	310	-3	12.1	3.9	8.8
191	145	Bassett Foods	160	-3	8.7	5.4	10.4
108	88	Batleys	108	..	3.0	2.8	12.6
182	145	Bejam	171	-3	5.7	3.3	20.4
150	73	Bluebird Conf	93	●-3	7.4	8.0	28.4
120	54	Br Vending (BVI)	111	-4	2.0	1.8	20.6
192	142	Cadbury-Schweppes	173	●-4	8.4	4.9	20.2
163	158	Carrs Milling	158	..	8.6	5.4	8.7
270	180	Cliffords Dairies	245	●..	10.3	4.2	13.5
253	148	Do 'A'	228	●..	10.3	4.5	12.6
280	224	Cullens	270	+5	..	..	..
293	225	Dee	270	-5	9.7	3.6	28.0
201	151	Fisher (Albert)	185	●-3	3.2b	1.7	25.0
316	251	Fitch Lovell	268	-5	14.6	5.4	20.3
283	228	Glass Glover	233	-5	5.8	2.4	17.8
868	768	Hazlewood Foods	768	+5	11.4	1.4	25.5
250	170	Hillards	233	-7	4.4	1.9	20.5
323	181	Hillsdown Hldgs	295	-16	6.0	2.0	18.5
88	75	Home Farm	85	●..	4.6	5.4	8.8
567	488	Iceland Frozen	512	●..	9.4	1.8	22.9
292	220	Kwik Save	288	-2	7.4	2.6	19.7
110	85	Lees (John J)	103	+2	2.1	2.0	15.0
95	50	Lovell (GF)	85	..	4.3	5.1	61.8
620	505	Low (Wm)	565	●-5	17.9	3.1	18.5
830	485	Matthews (Bernard)	813	●-15	15.7	1.9	18.3
113	93	Meat Trade Supp	108	..	7.5	6.9	16.4
204	150	Morrison (W)	198	●-1	1.9	1.0	20.4
257	215	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	225	●-5	8.6	3.8	14.8
82½	65⅝	Normans	67½	-2	2.6	3.8	14.9
292	258	Nthn Foods	270	-4	10.4	3.9	14.5
190	152	Nurdin & Peacock	178	-4	8.2	2.9	16.8
137	127	Park Foods	137	+1	5.4	3.9	13.9
245	187	RHM	209	-5	7.6	3.7	14.0
540	388	Rowntree Mac	508	-32	17.4	3.4	13.9
418	344	Sainsbury (J)	390	-8	6.6	1.8	24.9
183	122	Salvesen (Chstn)	146	-6	4.1	2.8	19.2
210	154	Somportex	183	-2	..	..	..
656	320	Tate & Lyle	585	-5	32.1	5.5	11.9
380	285	Tesco	369	-7	7.4	2.0	26.8
298	215	Unigate	265	-6	12.4	4.7	17.8
289	216	Utd Biscuits	243	-4	13.8	5.6	13.1
161	136	Watson & Philip	160	..	8.3	5.2	20.0
HOTELS AND CATERERS							
433	328	Grand Met	406	-10	13.0	3.2	13.8
288	208	Kennedy Brookes	238	●-7	2.1	0.9	12.3
391	312	Ladbroke	324	●-8	16.1	5.0	15.3
545	447	Lon Park Hotels	531	●..	14.3	2.7	18.8
100	80	Mount Charlotte	82	..	2.0	2.4	13.5
105	67	Prince Of W Hotels	78	..	2.1	2.7	14.1
79	58½	Queens Moat	72	●-½	2.3	3.2	15.2
405	372½	Savoy Hotels 'A'	376	●..	5.0	1.3	14.9
81	58	Stakis	70	..	1.7	2.4	17.3
209	146	Trusthouse Forte	163	-5	7.8	4.8	16.2
INDUSTRIALS A - D							
227	178	AAH	222	-1	10.1	4.5	17.6
239	194	AGB Research	221	+2	9.6	4.3	23.7
114	95	AIM	113	+1	8.2	7.3	12.7
600	243	APV	553	●+2	16.8	3.0	23.2
110	80	Aaronson	105	-2	6.0	5.7	11.6
258	172	Adwest	253	●-2	11.2	4.4	16.1
343	207	Alexanders W'wear	338	●-5	8.6	2.5	20.8
175	130	Amber Ind	175	..	9.7	5.5	12.7
403	250	Appledore	355	-13	8.6	2.4	19.6
47	32	Arenson	35	●..	0.6	1.7	7.1
32	23	Armour	28	-1	0.3	1.1	14.4
438	355	Ash & Lacey	428	●..	28.9	6.8	12.5
91	62	Ashley	78	-3	..	..	57.1
395	255	Ass Br Eng 6%	385	-10	11.4	3.0	..
493	333	Assoc Heat	483	-3	16.7	3.5	23.4
83	37½	Aurora	72½	●-2	1.4	1.9	11.2
313	263	Avon Rubber	293	+2	8.1	2.8	10.5
88	43	Ayrshire Metal	60	-2	2.9	4.8	8.2
285	138	BBA	268	-7	2.9	1.1	36.3
450	363	BET Dfd	395	-3	21.8	5.5	16.1
82	67	BETEC	78	+1	2.6	3.3	7.7
388	277½	BOC	339	-5	13.4	4.0	12.9
488	355	BTR	471	●-4	12.6	2.7	21.9
222	163	Babcock	169	●-3	12.0	7.1	7.7
26⅝	18	Bailey (CH)	18	-½	..	..	19.1
685	420	Baird (Wm)	590	+10	27.7	4.7	10.4
310	216	Baker Perkins	286	-2	10.2	3.6	12.1
200	128	Barro Ind	200	..	10.0	5.0	12.7
174	112	Barham	164	-3	2.9	1.8	19.5
495	180	Barlow Rand	312	+8	..	..	..
57	40	Barrow Hepburn	54	●+1	3.6	6.7	12.9
255	180	Barton Transport	245	..	25.7	10.5	7.5
32	21	Baynes (Charles)	23	..	2.2	9.6	..
232	136	Beatson Clarke	201	-8	10.7	5.3	13.8
133	94	Beauford	128	●..	7.5	5.9	8.5
240	151	Beazer (CH)	224	●-5	6.0	2.7	16.2
428	318	Beecham	383	-10	16.1	4.2	15.9
		Bellair Cosmetics					
31	18	Berlox	27	+1	1.6	5.9	14.9
258	132	Berisford (S&W)	223	-13	15.0	6.7	11.6
148	85	Bestobell	135	-3	7.5	5.6	13.0
132	100	Bespak	131	-1	6.1	4.7	7.4
380	214	Bestwood	379	●+10	8.6	2.3	21.6
495	310	Bibby (J)	473	●-20	8.6	1.8	37.1
40	26	Bevan (DF)	38	..	2.0b	5.3	9.3
335	260	Bibby (J)	300	..	9.5	3.2	18.3
205	140	Biddle	158	..	14.3	9.1	7.9
138	76	Billam (J)	111	●-2	5.0	4.5	10.0
138	84½	Birmid Qualcast	128	-1	5.4	4.3	12.0
173	105	Birmingham Mint	168	..	8.6	5.1	17.2
174	140	Black Arrow	160	..	6.4	4.0	13.4
250	178	Black (Peter)	230	+5	2.4	1.0	21.8
62	35	Blackwood Hodge	58	..	..	..	9.1
373	189	Blue Arrow	373	..	1.7	0.5	24.8
264	167	Bodycote	259	●..	8.5	3.3	10.1
368	265	Booker McConnell	330	-8	17.1	5.2	14.3
289	220	Boots	262	-3	9.3	3.5	18.2
18⅞	8⅝	Boulton (Wm)	14½	-⅛	..	..	..
353	253	Bowater	333	●+3	13.2	4.0	20.2
22⅝	16⅝	Bowater Inc	£18⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
123	75	Braithwaite Grp	108	..	13.0e	12.4	..
383	323	Brammer	358	..	17.9	5.0	16.7
86	62	Brasway	77	..	3.2	4.2	11.2
43	31	Brengreen	33½	-1	2.1	6.3	10.8
44	35	Bridgend Gp	39	+1	..	..	..
199	110	Bridon	182	●-3	7.1	3.9	8.9
192	139	Bridport-Gundry	174	●..	7.4	4.3	13.6
135	115	Br Bldg & Eng App	135	●..	0.9	0.7	71.1
245	168	Br Steam	223	..	9.6	4.3	15.4
143	97	Br Syphon	122	●-2	4.3	3.5	12.4
327	196	Br Vita	315	●-2	10.0	3.2	13.4
383	296	Broken Hill	358	●-2	..	..	..
105	34	Bromsgrove Inds	104	..	1.6	1.5	22.9
28	15	Bronx Eng	22½	●-2	0.7	3.1	28.4
49	25	Brooke Tool	45	-2	1.8	4.0	9.2
190	156	Brown & Tawse	173	..	9.6	5.5	11.5
35	19	Brown (John)	28	-5	..	..	..
62	52	Bruntons (Mus)	52	..	4.3	8.3	9.8
300	200	Bullough	271	-1	11.7	4.3	12.9
236	138	Burgess	216	-4	3.6b	1.7	20.8
83	59	Burns-Anderson	74	..	3.9	5.3	16.0
85	59	Camford Eng	83	-2	2.5	3.0	14.1
51	28½	Capper Ind	49	●..	2.4	4.9	40.5
86	56	Cape Ind	70	+1	..	..	4.9
400	253	Carclo Eng	379	..	17.9b	4.7	9.1
74	56	Castings	74	..	3.8	5.1	11.1
38½	25½	Celestion	32½	..	1.4	4.3	16.4
8	5½	Central & Sheer	5½	..	..	..	11.0
23	13	Centreway Ind	20	..	..	..	7.1
74	45	CH Ind	73	+1	3.1	4.2	13.2
86½	65½	Chamberlain Ph	85½	..	5.5	6.4	11.0
105	59	Chamberlin & Hill	105	..	5.0	4.8	11.2
380	193	Charter Cons	241	-4	15.7	6.5	47.8
133	88	Chart Foulks Lynch	133	●..	3.8	2.9	22.7
640	518	Chemring	570	..	19.3	3.4	12.4
358	280	Christies Int	343	●-7	7.9	2.3	23.1
48	36	Christy Hunt	48	+2	..	..	13.6
215	132	Clarke (Clement)	155	●..	6.5	4.2	22.7
142	98	Clayton Son	136	..	10.0	7.2	7.7
500	360	Cohen (A)	500	..	15.4	3.1	9.5
223	145	Colorall Gp	214	-1	7.1	3.3	15.9
20½	10	Combined Tech	12½	..	..	..	..
98	71	Concentric	96	+3	5.3	5.5	13.1
54	26	Corr Stationery	45	..	2.5	5.6	11.4
112	74	Cook (Wm)	108	..	4.9	4.5	18.0
570	356	Cookson	518	-7	11.1	2.1	14.3
65	32	Copson (F)	58	..	2.1	3.6	32.5
89	63½	Cosalt	85	..	4.6	5.4	13.2
425	331	Courtney Pope	412	●..	12.9	3.1	13.2
81	40	Cowan De Groot	74	-1	3.2	4.3	33.0
172	121	Crest Nicholson	171	+1	6.8b	4.0	13.9
212	156	Crown House	189	-3	11.1	5.6	11.4
216½	157½	Cummins 3¼%	£167½	..	375	2.2	..
42	32	DSC	33	..	0.7e	2.1	..
285	207½	DPCE	285	+5	2.3	0.8	42.9
305	205	Dalgety	285	-5	17.9	6.3	10.5
23½	18⅝	Dana	£20⅝	..	..	..	..
80	48	Davies & Met 'A'	65	●-8	3.2	4.9	..
225	178	Davies & Newman	195	..	14.3	7.3	6.2
115	82	Davy	97	..	5.3	5.5	9.5
10⅞	715	De La Rue	£10⅛	..	42.9	4.2	13.4
259	171	Delta	241	●-6	8.3	3.9	11.9
240	188	Dentend Stamping	230	+10	9.3	4.0	13.1
293	188	Descutter	273	●+5	10.4	3.8	11.4
19½	17½	Dixide Heal	17½	●..	0.6	3.4	19.4
371	265	Diploma	308	-30	7.5	2.5	18.9
98	83	Dobson Park	93½	+1	7.4	7.9	13.4
110	98	Dom	103	-2	7.1	6.9	11.4
118	95	Dominion Int	99	-2	7.6	7.7	7.4
131	57½	Duport	123	-2	3.9	3.2	16.4
86	25	Dwek	35	..	..	..	..
97	81	Dyson (J&J)	93	..	5.7	6.1	22.6
85	72	Do 'A'	78	..	5.7	7.3	19.0
E - K							
313	275	Eastern Prod	280	●..	14.3	5.1	6.9
216	158	Edbro	218	+8	10.0	4.6	9.2
277	214	EIS	253	..	9.6	3.8	13.6
40½	29½	Elbief	39½	..	2.5	6.3	18.7
120	102½	Elco	105	●..	6.0	5.7	11.5
28⅝	17¼	Electrolux (AE) 'B'	£26⅛	..	..	..	..
82	52	Elliott (B)	80	-½	2.9	3.6	23.8
28⅛	18⅛	Emhart	£24	+⅛	136	5.6	..
361	282	English China Clay	351	-3	15.7	4.5	14.0
28⅝	19½	Ericsson (LM) 'B'	£25⅝	-⅛	9.0	0.4	..
183	143	Erskine House	150	..	4.0	2.7	30.5
177½	136	European Ferries	147	-2	6.1	4.1	10.0
140	112	Do 5% Prf	128	..	7.1	5.6	..
342	158	Evered	316	..	5.0	1.6	17.5
126	111	Evode	117	..	4.6	3.9	12.6
220	127	Expamet Int	200	●-5	8.4	4.2	18.6
415	315	Extel	380	..	9.6	2.5	22.3
34	22	Falcon	34	..	0.7	2.1	42.5
41	28	Feedex Agric Ind	38	-1	1.4	3.7	67.9
143	108	Fenner (JH)	127	..	7.1	5.6	20.0
75	60	Fife Indmar	65	..	5.0	7.7	18.8
618	408	Fisons	585	●-8	7.9	1.4	25.1
52	35	Fitzwilton	50	..	1.0	2.0	..
124	84	Flexello C&W	116	..	5.4	4.7	8.7
69	31½	Fobel	60	+3	0.6	1.0	7.1
133	100	Fogarty	114	●..	6.1	5.4	12.7
41½	27½	Folkes Group N/V	32½	●..	2.0	6.2	7.7
199	157	Fothergill & Harvey	198	●..	12.5	6.3	13.9
67	51	French (Thomas)	54	..	4.1	7.6	..
120	84	GEI Int	118	-2	8.4	7.1	17.5
365	256	GKN	330	●-6	17.1	5.2	11.1
303	260	GR	300	..	10.0	3.3	6.3
110	60	Garton Eng	109	..	5.0	4.6	8.2
147	100	Gestetner	145	-1	2.1	1.4	13.0
150	111	Gieves	136	..	4.3b	3.1	19.0
11⅛	755½	Glaxo	935	●-20	15.7	1.7	24.8
423	243	Glynwed	412	-8	15.0	3.6	14.9
505	410	Goring Kerr	450	-10	15.0	3.3	17.3
273	161	Grampian Hldgs	256	●-2	8.8	3.4	17.2
312	266	Granada	284	-2	10.1	3.6	12.0
10⅝	8	Groveball	8¼	-½	0.7	8.5	4.5
93	59½	Habit Precision	89	-2	2.5	2.8	16.7
218	134	Hall Eng	206	●..	12.0	5.8	8.7
162	126	Hall (M)	143	..	6.4	4.5	10.8
240	180	Halite	225	+5	12.9	5.7	15.9
269	230	Halma	265	+2	2.2	0.8	36.8
37½	25⅝	Hampson Ind	34½	-½	1.7b	4.8	12.6
49	37	Hanimex	38	+1	..	..	..
191	141	Hanson	177	-2	5.7	3.2	15.7
182	145	Do 5½% Cnv	£176	-3	550	4.5	..
115	96	Do 5¾%	107½	-2½	6.2	7.5	..
168	132	Hargreaves	165	-1	7.0	4.2	16.9
223	175	Harris (Philip)	210	..	12.1	5.8	20.1
623	431	Hawker Siddeley	591	-3	26.7	4.5	12.3
150	82	Hawley	134	-2	2.7	2.0	10.4
121	81	Hay (Norman)	93	●..	5.4	5.8	14.8
220	140	Hepworth Ceramic	209	-3	10.3	4.9	17.5
162	98	Hestair	138	r-2	6.1	4.4	15.8
98	65	Hewitt (J)	95	●+6	3.9	4.1	8.5
142	122	Hingale & Job	142	..	..	..	27.5
81	62	Hollis Bros	63	+1	..	..	49.3
101	68	Holt Lloyd	92	..	5.4	5.9	13.4
285	148	Hopkinsons	265	..	10.7	4.0	10.8
		Howard Machinery					
120	91	Howden	115	-2	4.8	4.2	11.5
15⅝	11⅝	Hudson Bay	£15⅛	+⅛	69.0	3.9	..
310	234	Hunting Assoc	285	-13	11.4	3.9	6.8
115	88	Hunting Group	115	..	8.6	7.5	26.1
265	207½	Hutchsn Whampoa	258	+1	..	..	..
188	118	IMI	181	●-2	7.5	4.1	15.1
315	211	Isotron	273	-2	1.8	0.7	50.5
295	265	Jacksons Bourne	285	..	8.5	3.0	15.8
123½	96½	Jardine Math	113½	+1½	..	..	..
595	473	Johnson Cleaners	595	..	29.3	4.9	18.2
183	133	Johnson Matthey	178	-2	0.7	0.4	22.8
44½	22½	Johnson & FB	38½	-½	..	..	19.3
330	235	Johnston	303	-2	10.7	3.5	9.8
136	68	Jones & Shipman	112	●..	5.5	4.9	7.4
263	133	Jourdan (Thomas)	243	●..	10.5	4.3	30.1
23	21	Kalamazoo	23	..	2.8e	12.6	7.7
38	25	Kelon	31½	..	1.7	5.4	16.2
257	188	Kelsey Ind	257	..	11.4	4.4	12.5
130	108	Kennedy Smale	123	..	2.0b	1.6	21.6
298	230	Kershaw (A)	288	..	21.4	7.4	24.1
181	128	Kleen-E-Ze	181	..	7.1	4.4	34.5
L - R							
38½	22	LDH	34½	+½	0.5	1.4	20.8
325	251	Lep	301	..	6.8	2.3	27.7
323	216	Laird	257	●-5	8.6	3.2	10.7
190	132	Lamont	180	-2	6.4b	3.6	9.5
71	42	Lawtex	65	+1	3.6b	5.5	6.8
77	41	Lee (Arthur)	61½	-2	3.0	4.9	8.7
34	25	Lilleshall (Ulecare)	28	-2	..	..	20.0
74	70	Lilleshall	72	●..	3.2	4.4	11.3
88	64	Linread	74	●..	3.6	4.9	5.9
67	53	Lloyd (FH)	63	..	3.6	5.7	18.3
33½	23½	Locker (T)	32½	..	1.3	5.8	10.7
280	179	Lon Midland	211	-7	14.2	6.7	14.0
135	99	Do Dfd	128	-4	..	..	..
75	59½	Lon & Nthn	75	..	7.4	9.9	6.6
227	159	Lon Intl	214	-2	5.9	2.8	22.8
195	134	Longton Ind	195	..	4.3	2.2	25.5
468	319	Low & Bonar	453	●-13	13.6	3.0	14.7
390	306	ML Hldgs	376	..	11.1b	3.0	21.2
90	64	MS Int	87	-1	0.7	0.8	12.4
50½	32	MY Dart	48	..	1.4	2.9	16.8
388	255	Macarthys Pharm	360	+2	13.6	3.8	17.6
180	121	Macfarlane	153	●..	3.5	2.3	20.3
73	43	Macllellan (P&W)	62	●..	2.6	4.2	18.8
298	185	McKechnie	256	●..	12.9	5.0	12.4
110	78	Magnolia	100	●-5	4.8	4.8	9.1
670	485	Manchester Ship	670	+5	8.6	1.3	22.7
78	62	Manganese Bronze	76	-1	4.3	5.7	8.9
135	101	Marley	122	●-3	5.4	4.4	23.4
83	68	Marling	75	..	2.3	3.1	9.1
120	72	Marshall (Loxley)	105	..	5.7	5.4	7.4
113	66	Do 'A'	94	-2	5.7	6.1	6.6
85	65	Marshalls Univ	73	●..	3.5	4.8	19.8
669	360	Martonair	630	..	11.0	1.7	22.5
755	525	Metal Box	750	..	24.8	3.3	11.3
184	128	Metal Closures	182	●+8	9.8	5.3	27.2
100	61	Metalrax	94	●-1	3.6	3.7	14.5
78½	61	Mitchell Cotts	68	-1	6.1	9.0	6.9
123	70	Mitchell Somers	115	-5	5.0	4.3	21.4
198	163	Molins	193	●..	11.3	5.8	10.1
313	212	Morgan Crucible	310	●..	12.1	3.9	23.8
139	95	Moss (Robert)	137	+2	4.4	3.2	15.3
42	20½	Neepsend	37	+1	0.1e	0.3	19.2
218	161	Neill (J)	194	●..	10.0	5.2	9.8
144	92	Newman Tonks	139	..	10.3n	7.4	11.6
65	50	Nolton	50	..	1.4	2.8	58.2
253	188	Norcros	251	-3	12.6	5.0	12.8
258	203	Office Elect Mach	245	+2	12.1	4.9	10.1
424	247	Parker Knoll 'A'	415	..	15.0	3.6	15.1
333	223	Park Place	333	●+28	9.6	2.9	28.2
915	525	Parrish JT	915	..	..	..	..
505	363	Pearson	451	●-7	14.3	3.2	15.1
22	11	Peek	21½	..	..	..	31.2
135	86	Peerless	125	..	9.0n	7.2	16.9
624	392	Pegler-Hattersley	609	-3	28.6b	4.7	13.4
840	280	Pentland Ind	625	+25	2.1	0.3	17.7
14	775	Photo-Me	£11½	..	7.5	0.7	28.8
483	311	Pilkington	428	-12	17.9	4.2	9.7
95	51	Plastic Constr	91	-1	4.0	4.4	15.9
910	580	Portals	905	●+5	31.4	3.5	13.0
305	215	Porter Chadburn	303	..	1.5	0.5	..
310	238	Powell Duffryn	292	-2	21.7	7.4	15.7
184	95	Prestwich Hldgs	132	-2	1.0	0.8	28.6
75	58	Prichard Serv	71	+6	5.4	7.6	8.2
182	97	RFD	181	..	5.5	3.0	22.3
175	119	RHP	175	+2	6.1	3.5	13.0
130	123	Radiant Metal	130	..	3.6	2.8	..
579	421	Rank Org	539	-5	21.4	4.0	13.0
200	115	Ransome Sims	184	●-4	7.1	3.9	14.9
138	98	Ratcliffs (Gt Bridge)	130	..	3.6	2.8	4.7
900	605	Reckitt & Colman	819	-8	22.9	2.8	17.0
225	118	Redfearn Glass	208	+7	2.9	1.4	12.4
263	200	Reed Executive	263	..	5.0	1.9	21.8
504	643	Reed Int	677	..	27.5	3.1	15.6
158	132	Relyon	150	●-3	6.6	4.4	11.9
91	57	Renold	84	-1	1.0	1.2	12.2
102	90	Restmor	90	..	5.7	6.3	13.9
475	346	Reuters	448	-5	4.6	1.0	33.9
34	21	Rexmore	30½	..	1.4b	4.6	12.0
160	110	Ricardo Eng	148	..	4.1	2.8	15.9
83	53	Richard (Leics)	75	..	4.3	5.7	7.4
58	19	Richardson West	42	-1	..	..	19.1
152	103	Robertson Res	103	..	3.1	3.0	18.0
355	156	Robinson (Thomas)	351	..	..	..	48.3
55	30	Rockware	52	-2	..	..	31.1
150	128	Roprer	150	..	9.3	6.2	10.1
146	122	Do 'A'	138	..	9.3	7.0	8.9
9	2	Rotaprint	9	+½	..	..	4.3
158	116	Rotork	156	●+1	7.7	4.9	11.6
130	96	Russell (A)	106	-2	2.0	1.9	57.3
S - Z							
38	17	SI	29	-½	2.3e	7.9	6.1
274	214	Sale Tilney	233	●..	9.3	4.0	12.8
89	56	Sandhurst	86	..	1.7	1.8	27.7
90	49	Saville Gordon (J)	84	-3	3.6	4.2	19.6
528	373	Scapa	515	-8	16.1	3.1	11.7
128	103	Scott Greenham	117	..	4.3	3.7	16.3
195	130	Scot Heritable	186	●..	4.3	2.3	16.2
139	94	Scott & Robertson	129	●-1	3.8	3.0	11.0
164	137	Securicor	147	..	1.7	1.2	38.4
154	134	Do 'A'	134	-3	1.6	1.2	35.0
184	111	Security Serv	111	-2	3.4	3.1	21.9
52	29	Senior Eng	40½	●-½	2.4	4.8	13.1
138	75	Shiloh	124	-4	3.9	3.1	5.5
153	115	Siclaw	118	..	12.9	10.9	7.3
920	703	Siebe	870	-10	17.5	2.0	21.9
33½	32	Silentnight	92	+2	3.9e	7.5	16.9
303	180	Simon Eng	268	-5	12.1	4.5	9.2
149	63½	Six Hundred	144	-2	7.9	5.5	13.0
485	368	Sketchley	485	+5	22.4	4.6	20.1
32⅝	26⅝	SKF 'B'	£29	..	..	..	..
262	188	Smith & Nephew	249	●-3	6.8	2.7	21.2
36	30	Smith Whitworth	34	..	0.4	1.2	23.0
328	228	Smiths Ind	274	●-4	6.8	2.5	21.3
225	183	Spear (JW)	190	●..	8.5	4.5	15.4
293	256	Spear & Jackson	283	●..	8.5	3.0	12.3
194	128	Spirax-Sarco	182	●..	7.6	4.0	14.3
153	71	Staffs Potteries	141	●-8	5.7b	4.0	8.6
118	88	Stag Furniture	109	●..	7.9	7.2	10.7
150	85	Standard Fireworks	141	-2	5.5b	3.9	11.0
65	33	Star Comp	65	..	..	..	24.7
485	345	Staveley	482	-2	23.6	4.9	13.4
500	385	Steetley	491	-7	18.8	3.8	14.9
115	96	Sterling Ind	113	..	3.3	2.9	37.0
233	170	Stocklake	233	+2	17.1	7.4	4.9
98	73	Stonehill	93	..	9.6	10.4	6.7
210	153	Stothert & Pitt	205	-3	..	..	6.1
220	180	Sunlight Serv	220	..	12.9	5.9	11.9
285	183	Suter	277	●-3	6.0	2.2	19.9
122	90	Swire Pacific 'A'	114	●-½	..	..	..
43	12	Sycamore	40	..	..	..	..
221	188	Syltone	213	..	14.3	6.7	8.6
597	348	TI	579	..	18.6	3.2	19.1
195	115	TNT	186	+8	..	..	..
230	210	TSL Thermal	223	-3	4.3	1.9	11.6
535	380	Taco	525	..	9.5	1.8	24.8
62	33	Takeda Chem	£36	+½	..	..	..
8⅝	5⅝	Talbex	6¼	..	..	..	..
95	64	Tefloc	92	●-2	3.3	4.8	7.7
165	123	Tex Hldgs	145	..	4.0	4.3	10.9
110	91	Third Mile	108	..	6.1	4.2	13.3
227	88	Thomson T-Line	204	..	2.9	2.7	16.3
288	132	Tilphook	265	..	..	..	..
333	203	Tomkins (FH)	318	-3	5.3	2.0	38.7
348	293	Trafalgar House	298	-4	3.5	1.1	27.7
243	200	Transcontinental	228	-2	15.4	5.5	8.1
195	124	Transport Dev	183	●-3	9.6	4.2	18.6
22	9½	Tremood	20½	-1	8.9	4.9	13.7
90	58	Triplex	80	..	0.1	0.1	44.4
124	79	Triplex	124	..	2.9b	2.3	19.0
231	75	Turner & Newall	225	-5	7.1	3.2	8.6
281	95	UKO	245	..	7.1	2.9	11.4
135	75	Unigroup	89	-5	1.5	1.6	21.6
17	13⅛	Unilever	£16	●..	55.2	3.4	14.7
69⅞	56⅛	Unilever (NV)	£67⅞	-2	..	..	..
252	212	Valor	246	-2	6.7	2.7	12.4
540	253	Vickers	471	-4	18.6	3.9	13.6
130	108	Victor Products	108	..	6.6	6.4	14.2
195	123	Vinten	143	-2	4.5b	3.1	24.8
204½	137	Volkswagen	£182½	-1	..	..	..
156	116	WSL	153	-3	..	..	54.4
165	128	Wade Potteries	156	●+1	4.4	2.8	15.8
348	120	Wadkin	335	..	1.4	0.4	..
202	158	Wagon Ind	196	..	11.3	5.9	14.3
131	69	Waterford Glass	131	●+5	1.9	1.5	..
198	161	Wardle	198	..	5.1	2.6	28.3
375	239	Wedgwood	363	..	10.7	2.9	17.1
154	86	Weir	125	●-5	4.1	3.3	10.4
231	183	Wellcome	185	-1	3.0	1.6	24.7
31½	14½	Wellman	28½	-½	..	..	..
110	55	Westland	71	-2	4.3	6.1	24.7
118	78	Westa	115	..	7.9	6.9	15.9
295	210	Whatman Reeve	285	-5	3.5	1.2	20.0
104	86	Whessoe	94	-2	7.9	8.4	8.2
253	177	Whitecroft	235	..	11.3	4.8	12.5
188	137	Wilkes (James)	158	●+3	8.6	6.2	10.1
740	395	Williams Hldgs	630	●-15	11.4	1.7	27.6
167	120	Wills Gp	123	..	8.6	7.0	74.5
598	425	Wolseley	575	-2	15.0	2.6	18.4
84	58	Wood (Arthur)	72	●..	3.6	5.0	18.2
44	25	Wood (SW)	32	●..	1.4e	4.4	11.3
93	43½	Woodhouse & Rix	90	●..	3.6	4.0	14.2
89	78	Wyndham Eng	78	..	2.8b	3.6	15.5
618	503	Yarrow	605	●..	20.0	3.3	13.2
178	135	Young (H)	156	●..	4.7	3.0	15.9
INSURANCE							
226	189	Abbey Life	199	●-4	9.9	5.0	..
261½	22	Alex & Alex	223½	-½	100	4.3	..
28½	23	Am Gen	£25⅝	+½	88.0	3.5	..
290	223	Bradstock	285	..	7.9	2.8	20.0
917	807	Britannic	812	●-15	42.6	5.2	..
395	328	Com Union	324	●-5	16.9	5.2	..
301	225	Equity & Law	250	-6	9.6	3.8	..
415	213	FAI	415	..	..	..	..
954	701	Gen Accident	874	-18	31.4	3.6	22.9
954	720	GRE	919	-10	41.1	4.5	25.6
708	631	Heath C E	695	-5	31.4	4.5	9.7
349	287	Hogg Robinson	306	..	13.4	4.4	14.6
838	682	Legal & Gen	739	●-18	35.0	4.7	31.3
897	742	London & Man	742	●-17	34.0	4.6	28.4
420	281	Lon Utd Inv	413	-7	21.4	5.2	10.7
74⅝	55⅝	Marsh & McLen	£69⅝	-⅛	220	3.2	..
285	238	Minet	245	-4	11.4	4.6	9.9
303	223	PWS	263	-5	12.9b	4.9	32.8
14⅛	12	Pearl	£13⅛	●-⅛	62.9	4.5	..
963	754	Prudential	839	●-15	37.1b	4.4	55.4
450	351	Refuge	368	●-7	19.6	5.4	..
934	768	Royal	912	-5	36.8	4.0	74.8
420	338	Sedgwick Gp	358	-5	15.7	4.3	17.4
424	348	Stewart Wr'son	398	-5	15.7	3.9	18.3
446	405	Sturge Hldgs	425	..	8.6	2.0	28.5
772	320	Sun Alliance	744	-18	22.1	3.0	67.0
927	772	Sun Life	842	●-25	33.9	4.0	..
575	380	Trade Indemnity	550	●..	13.9	2.5	20.1
474	389	Willis Faber	452	●-17	12.5	2.8	21.4
LEISURE							
144	98	Barr & WA 'A'	118	-7	10.0	8.5	8.7
220	128	Boosey & Hawkes	195	..	..	..	..
149	98	Brent Walker	144	●-2	7.9	5.5	10.5
58	34	Campari	48	●+1	1.4	2.9	13.1
225	183	Chrysalis	183	..	8.0	4.4	11.9
388	303	First Leisure	350	-3	8.6	2.5	18.0
62½	49	GRA	55	-1	..	..	48.2
81	65	Hemburger Brooks	67	+2	..	..	36.6
128	83	Horizon Travel	117	●-1	6.3	5.4	5.5
131	94	Int Leisure	125	..	7.1b	5.7	8.3
103	48	Julianas Hldgs	48	●..	4.3	9.0	18.8
173	135	Mecminster	145	-5	7.9	5.4	9.7
391	278	Pleasurama	310	-5	10.7	3.5	12.3
375	325	Really Useful	368	●..	16.1	4.4	15.1
64	49	Riley Leisure	49	-1	..	..	23.9
228	181	Saga Holidays	181	-1	6.6	3.6	15.3
290	260	Samuelson Gp	280	+2	3.4b	1.2	..
63	51	Tottenham Hotspur	52	..	5.7e	11.0	9.4
183	125½	Zetters	166	-2	6.1	3.7	14.1
MINING							
13⅛	7⅝	Ang Amer Coal	£8	..	..	..	..
10⅝	743	Ang Am	818	..	54.0	6.6	..
57½	38	Am Gold	£45	..	446	9.9	..
59	33	AAIT	£50½	+1½	271	5.4	..
40	28½	Anglovaal	£31½	+1	142	4.5	..
41	28	Do 'A'	£31	+1	142	4.6	..
198	130	Ayer Hitam	135	..	47.5	35.2	..
425	310	Blyvoors	328	-10	79.0	24.5	..
160	85	Bracken	100	..	28.0	28.0	..
21½	12⅝	Buffels	£13⅝	-⅛	262	19.6	..
358	258	CRA	300	-2	..	..	..
89	56	Carr Boyd	56	..	..	..	..
534	430	Cons Goldfields	492	●..	38.0	7.6	11.3
531	314	De Beers	474	+1	18.0	3.8	..
200	123	Deelkraal	150	..	4.0	2.7	..
9¼	5⅝	Doornfontein	£6⅞	..	92.0	15.0	..
13⅝	9⅛	Driefontein	£10⅝	-⅛	128	12.1	..
7¼	4⅛	Durban	£4⅝	..	..	..	..
255	150	E Daggas	225	..	..	..	..
594	348	Elandsrand	388	-5	12.0	3.2	..
185	128	El Oro	185	..	6.0	3.2	15.5
185	115	Elsburg	145	..	14.0	9.7	..
380	248	E Rand Gold	318	-3	28.0	8.9	..
4⅛	2⅝	E Rand Prop	£3⅛	..	..	..	..
8	5	FS Cons	£5⅝	..	..	..	..
213	123	FS Dev	143	-20	..	..	..
75	30	Geevor Tin	44	..	17.1e	38.9	1.7
8⅛	5⅝	Gencor	£6	..	60.0	10.0	..
10	6	Gen Mining	£8⅛	..	87.0	10.2	..
10⅝	7	GFSA	£7	-⅛	48.0	6.6	..
478	328	GM Kalgoorli	328	..	..	..	..
63	35	Gopeng	45	..	20.0	44.4	..
101	70	Greenwich Res	70	..	..	..	..
375	210	Grootvlei	238	..	54.0	22.7	..
146	91	Hampton Areas	111	..	5.4	4.9	33.7
9⅛	5⅜	Harmony	£6⅝	..	82.5	10.0	..
350	223	Hartes	240	-3	17.0	7.1	..
81	61	Johnnies	£58	-1	345	6.2	..
12½	8⅛	Kinross	£8⅝	..	89.0	10.6	..
6⅛	4⅛	Kloof	£4⅝	..	40.0	8.6	..
160	90	Leslie	95	..	29.0	30.5	..
13⅝	8⅛	Libanon	£8⅝	+½	115	13.4	..
410	213	Loraine	220	-5	..	..	..
157	107	MIM	110	..	..	..	..
28	15	Malaysian Mining	17	+1	..	..	..
123	74	Marievale	85	..	17.0	20.0	..
23	14½	Metals Exp	15½	..	..	..	..
14	8	Mhangura	9	..	..	..	..
9	5½	Middle Wits	£7⅞	..	..	..	..
865	565	Minorco	580	-½	10.0	1.7	..
73	3	New Wits	£3⅝	..	23.0	7.1	..
142	60	Nth Broken Hill	92	-1	..	..	..
50	32½	Nth Kalgorli	36	+1	..	..	..
260	210	Northgate	210	..	..	..	..
22⅛	15⅝	Orange Free	£16	-⅛	..	..	..
128	80	Petaling Tin	80	..	..	..	..
289	225	Peko Wallsend	225	-8	..	..	..
25	14	Rand Mines Ltd	£16	..	..	..	..
445	320	Rand Mines Prop	340	..	12.0	3.5	9.3
69	16	Randfontein	£47½	-⅛	651	11.6	..
286	233	Renison	251	..	..	..	..
791	511	RTZ	652	-7	31.4	4.8	8.8
7⅝	4⅛	Rustenburg	£5⅛	..	28.0	4.2	46.2
10⅛	7⅛	St Helena	£8⅛	..	125	15.4	..
168	100	SA Land	108	+8	18.0	16.7	..
31	19⅝	Southvaal	£19⅝	-½	118	5.9	..
558	398	Stilfontein	413	..	..	..	..
138	80	Sungei Besi	108	..	..	..	..
9⅛	8	Tara	£8½	..	..	..	..
138	75	Tronoh	85	..	..	..	..
589	350	Unisel	480	-½	48.0	10.2	..
59½	41	Vaal Reefs	£42½	-¼	558	13.2	..
544	296	Venterspost	323	+6	54.0	16.7	..
105	65	Vlakfontein	85	+5	15.0	17.6	..
90	58	Vogels	70	-5	4.3	6.1	9.2
14½	10½	Wankie Colliery	13	●..	..	..	..
545	378	Welkom	445	-18	67.0	15.1	..
310	176	Western Areas	203	+3	23.0	11.3	..
28⅝	20⅛	Western Deep	£21⅝	..	171	7.9	..
195	149	Western Mining	156	..	3.0	1.9	..
265	150	West Rand Cons	170	+7	12.0	7.1	..
140	104	Whim Creek	106	..	..	..	..
17⅛	9⅝	Winkels	£9⅝	..	175	17.7	..
58	36	Wit Nigel	41	..	1.1	2.7	..
16½	11½	Zambia Copper	12½	..	..	..	..
58	43	Zandpan	45	+2	3.7	8.2	..
MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT							
189	139	AE	153	-4	7.1	4.6	10.8
141	78	Appleyard	133	●+3	7.1	5.3	6.1
141	70½	Armstrong	122	●-1	2.2	1.8	16.2
41	24½	BSG	37½	..	1.6	4.3	10.1
		Bluemel Bros					
314	185	Bramall (CD)	269	..	8.9	3.4	7.7
608	421	Br Aerospace	553	●+5	22.6	4.1	11.6
151	90	Br Car Auctions	142	-2	5.0	3.5	15.6
71	29	BL	42	..	..	..	..
198	168	Caffyns	186	-2	6.4	3.3	..
191	79	Cowie (T)	171	..	5.0	2.9	8.0
133	106	Davis (Godfrey)	119	..	5.7	4.8	14.3
228	172	Dowty	184	-2	7.3	4.0	14.1
50	36	ERF	50	+1	..	..	11.2
393	304	FR Group	359	-10	3.5	1.0	20.1
283	188	Ford Motor	259	●+2	7.0	2.7	..
89	68	Gates (Frank G)	84	..	4.3	5.1	10.2
298	234	General Motor	258	-8	26.0	9.7	..
93	51	Glanfield Lawrence	90	..	..	..	..
140	114	Group Lotus	140	..	..	..	83.8
114	68	Hartwells	113	..	3.8	3.4	15.0
484	373	Honda Motor	463	-1	3.6	0.8	..
503	336	Jaguar	473	●-23	12.3	2.6	9.8
142	72	Jessups	134	-2	6.1	4.6	10.2
396	136	Kenning Motor	336	+3	9.3	2.8	67.7
108	56	Kwik-Fit	84	-2	3.0	3.2	12.5
402	269	Lex	374	-16	15.1	4.0	21.2
131	90	Lookers	131	..	7.0	5.3	8.3
653	470	Lucas	601	●-9	15.7	3.1	12.1
141	116	Perry gp	141	..	6.4	4.5	12.7
91	72	Plaxtons (GB)	89	-2	6.4	7.4	11.7
74	51	Quick (HJ)	70	●..	4.1	5.9	7.4
72	43	Supra	65	●-1	3.1	4.8	12.4
58	32	Woodhead (Jones)	54	-1	0.1	0.2	13.7
NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS							
223	195	Assoc Book	200	●-3	8.0	4.0	12.7
328	220	Assoc Newspaper	293	-5	6.1	2.1	18.0
315	280	Black (A&C)	300	●+6	14.3	4.8	16.8
630	518	Bristol	585	..	32.9	5.6	22.7
505	485	Collins (Wm)	480	●..	11.1	2.3	20.6
383	305	Do 'A'	368	●+2	11.1	3.0	15.5
186	136	EMAP 'A'	156	-3	4.7	3.0	23.0
378	336	Haynes Publishing	345	..	20.0	5.8	18.0
173	85	Home Counties	161	..	10.0	6.2	6.8
380	165	Independent	280	+8	12.0	4.6	..
524	404	Int Thomson	497	-5	14.0	2.8	14.8
13⅝	820	News International	213⅝	+½	14.0	1.0	..
680	470	Octopus	585	●-5	9.8	1.6	20.7
138	118	Portsmouth Sund	128	..	5.7	4.5	12.8
455	320	Trinity Int	445	..	21.4	4.8	12.8
373	280	Utd Newspapers	358	●-8	22.9	6.4	13.2
OIL							
126	107	Ampol	116	+2	..	..	..
30	9	Aran Energy	12	..	..	..	..
35	10	Atlantic Resources	12	..	..	..	..
591	518	Br Petroleum	545	●-11	48.6	8.9	8.9
12	7	Bristol Oil	8	..	..	..	..
353	223	Br Borneo	341	..	26.4	7.7	12.8
210	158	Britoil	175	-1	18.6	10.6	4.7
378	265	Burmah	361	●-11	18.2	5.0	10.3
106	53	Carless Capel	68	-4	3.9	5.7	7.5
88	84	Century	88	..	5.7	6.5	43.3
30	10	Charterhall	14	..	..	..	31.8
132	117	Enterprise	117	●-1	12.1	10.3	4.0
82	24	Gerber Energy	38	+2	..	..	..
240	200	Global N Res	200	..	..	..	..
58	22	Goal Pet	38	●-2	1.4	3.7	16.5
120	40	Gt Western Res	44	..	4.1	9.3	..
480	271	IC Gas	375	-8	22.1	5.9	11.1
7⅛	4⅛	ICC Oil	..	..	..	..	..
54	38	Ipoco	32	..	..	..	..
20	12	KCA Drilling	13	..	..	..	..
343	110	LASMO	118	●-1	4.3	32.1	..
309	148½	Do Units	150	..	17.4	15.8	3.7
48	22	New London Oil	22	..	142	79.3	..
143	108	Petrocon	108	●-5	8.6	8.0	9.9
34	23	Premier	25	+½	..	..	11.6
275	180	Ranger	240	+8	..	..	..
82⅝	48	Royal Dutch	£80⅝	+½	228	4.5	..
783	653	Shell	735	●-5	50.0	6.8	7.3
185	133	Silkolene	159	●-2	8.6	5.1	26.0
97	37	Sovereign	42	+5	..	..	2.7
23½	16	TR Energy	16½	..	..	..	15.2
153	43	Tricentrol	55	●..	7.1	12.9	2.4
280	101	Triton Europe	119	-2	..	..	16.2
218	155	Ultramar	180	●-1	15.8	8.3	8.6
OVERSEAS TRADERS							
48	31	Borthwick	48	-1	0.7	1.5	12.8
158	127	Chilington	153	●-3	10.0	6.5	4.1
107	84	Finlay (James)	84	-3	5.9	7.0	4.0
395	325	Harrison Crosfield	371	+3	28.6	7.7	11.2
400	305	Inchcape	385	..	25.9	7.1	16.3
37	26½	Jacks (Wm)	36	..	1.6	4.4	12.4
274	183	Lonrho	248	+3	15.8	6.4	12.1
70	51	Ocean Wilson	69	+1	4.2	6.1	8.6
258	180	Paterson Zoch	237	-2	9.6	4.1	8.8
260	180	Do 'A'	211	-2	9.6	4.1	8.8
189	128	Polly Peck	175	-2	7.9	4.5	8.4
50	30	Sime Darby	36	●..	..	..	..
580	508	Steel Bros	570	+2	22.9	4.0	11.9
224	61	Tozer Kemsley	205	-11	..	..	73.6
193	153	Yule Catto	185	..	10.0	5.4	6.0
PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G							
238	215	Abbott Mead	230	●-3	4.0	1.7	21.8
58	42	Addison Int	45	●..	1.6	3.5	15.1
247	225	Assoc Paper	230	-1	8.6	3.7	13.8
45	31	Ault & Wiborg	43	..	..	..	10.4
190	138	Benrose	186	●..	7.1	3.8	15.9
389	224	Boase Massimi	381	●..	8.4	2.1	17.7
304	281	BPCC	300	..	17.1b	5.7	22.6
178	143	Brunning	150	..	7.0	4.7	27.6
178	142	Do R/V	148	-2	7.0	4.8	36.6
673	470	Bunzl	613	●-5	14.3	2.3	21.7
920	720	Carlton Comm	860	-20	8.6	1.0	28.3
225	173	Chapman	215	-8	12.0	5.6	9.9
180	120	Clarke Nickolls (Chelsea Streets)	136	●-1	3.0	2.2	17.8
275	178	Cropper (James)	265	-10	3.6	1.4	14.7
308	189	DRG	286	●-2	11.8	4.1	19.2
188	145	Davidson Pearce	165	●+1	3.6	2.2	17.0
463	360	Eucalyptus Pulp	450	..	10.0	2.2	7.8
268	172	Ferguson Ind	258	-2	10.6	4.1	17.3
485	375	Fitch Design	430	●..	8.7	2.0	24.6
78	53	Geers Gross	70	..	4.3	6.1	18.4
223	200	Gold Greenless	218	-2	4.1	1.9	23.8
180	110	Good Relations	168	-4	7.0	4.2	28.0
230	188	Horizonpix	203	-3	6.7	3.4	7.3
418	371	Lowe H-S C-E	408	●-5	8.6	2.2	23.4
235	140	McCorquodale	196	-2	8.1	4.1	19.5
135	93	More O'Ferrall	138	..	6.7	4.8	17.9
155	128	Norton Opax	138	-5	5.0	3.8	13.8
28	19⅝	Ogilvy & Mather	£22⅝	..	..	..	..
36	26	Olives Paper	36	..	..	..	36.8
865	513	St Ives Gp	835	●+5	12.9b	1.5	34.2
9⅛	718	Saatchi & Saatchi	780	-5	20.0n	2.7	16.0
130	120	Do 8.5% Cnv Prf	120	-2	9.0	7.5	..
175	124	Smurfit (Jeff)	173	+5	4.7	2.7	..
280	200	Usher Walker	213	-2	9.7	4.6	11.5
35	48	Wace	38	-1	..	..	11.9
825	585	Waddington (J)	813	-3	35.7	4.4	15.0
291	285	Waterlough	270	..	9.3	3.4	13.3
478	320	Wight Collins	471	-2	4.8	1.0	41.2
PROPERTY							
62	27	Abaco	55½	-2½	0.2	0.4	86.7
75	58	Allied Lon	69	●..	4.3	6.3	16.1
80	70	Apex	80	..	2.9	3.6	16.7
124	85	Bellgrave	120	-3	6.0	6.3	8.6
282	212	Bilton (P)	260	+2	17.1	6.6	16.6
380	140	Bradford	335	..	13.9	2.8	22.5
178	144	Br Land	171	-3	3.9	2.3	17.4
170	138	Brixton	165	-1	8.1	4.9	18.3
48	36	Caird (A) &Sons	44	..	..	..	..
231	218	Cap & Counties	225	-3	8.6	3.8	20.8
250	200	Cardiff Prop	260	..	2.8	1.0	..
188	170	Centrovincial	175	..	4.0	4.5	15.5
475	410	Chesterfield	420	+5	15.7	3.7	22.8
855	730	CALA	843	..	25.7b	3.0	12.5
158	133	Clarke Nickolls	135	..	9.0	6.7	20.0
279	184	Comwells	215	..	8.0	2.3	24.9
26	14	Control Secs	19	+3	..	..	3.6
140	39	Country & New	132	-1	2.3	1.7	66.8
177	117	County 'B'	167	..	5.0	3.0	5.8
250	175	Daejan	249	..	8.5	3.5	11.6
830	470	Davjen	825	..	18.6	3.0	13.1
250	180	Dean Dev	220	..	..	..	..
11	8⅝	Dares	10	..	..	..	83.3
185	158	Estates & Agency	158	..	4.3	2.7	70.9
120	110	Estates Gen	115	●..	3.5	3.1	23.9
185	140	Estates Prop	163	..	12.1	7.4	14.2
108	83	Evans Of Leeds	107	..	5.0	4.7	13.3
78	48½	Five Oaks	65½	+½	..	..	9.1
201	170	Frogmore	195	..	10.1	5.2	12.2
185	146	Gt Portland	184	-2	10.0	5.4	27.1
280	202	Greycoat	268	..	3.1	1.2	73.9
18⅝	11⅛	Hallwood Gp	£11½	+⅛	..	..	..
495	435	Hammerson	440	●-5	13.6	3.1	30.0
490	425	Do 'A'	430	●-5	13.6	3.2	29.3
223	130	Hanover	223	+3	4.8	2.1	27.3
283	233	Hardanger	278	..	14.0	5.0	10.5
640	475	Haslemere	605	..	13.7	2.2	31.8
310	270	Imry	310	..	7.7	2.5	35.7
180	155	Jermyn	180	..	2.8	1.4	81.4
315	273	Laing Prop	308	-2	10.0	3.2	15.8
73	54	Land Investors	73	..	1.7	2.3	41.5
332	276	Land Securities	315	-4	12.1	3.8	27.2
740	430	Lon & Edin Tst	635	-5	12.9b	2.0	20.1
237	147	Do 6½%	220	..	9.3	4.2	..
268	218	Lon & Prov Shop	240	●..	6.7	2.8	21.2
171	153	Lon Shop Prop	157	+1	7.6b	4.8	18.9
305	288	Lynton	305	+5	8.6	2.8	38.3
355	275	MEPC	340	-16	15.0	4.4	21.8
126	90	McInerney	100	+3	..	..	..
135	105	McKay Secs	115	..	4.9	4.2	20.1
58	50	Markheath	50	..	3.1b	6.2	22.6
168	125	Merivale Moore	156	●..	3.6	2.3	15.6
75	60	Marlborough	74	●+2	0.9	1.2	37.2
325	173	Marler Est	310	-5	4.3e	1.4	30.9
850	510	Mountleigh	830	..	10.7	1.3	24.7
600	384	Mountview	600	..	6.4	1.1	12.5
105	82	Muckiow (A&J)	105	..	7.4	7.0	18.1
250	180	Municipal	220	●..	17.3	0.8	39.2
20	13	New Cavendish	20	..	1.7	..	31.2
73	56	Parkdale	73	..	2.1b	2.9	27.8
288	255	Peachey	286	-7	12.1	4.5	35.6
194	178	Prop & Rev	190	..	8.2	3.3	31.9
134	107	Prop Hldgs	133	+1	3.8	2.9	32.7
123	108	Prop Security	123	..	3.6b	2.9	28.7
9½	8⅛	Raglan	9	..	0.1	1.1	..
545	320	Regalian	515	..	5.2	1.0	39.2
850	330	Rosehaugh	840	..	1.1b	0.2	..
287	280	Rush & Tompkins	273	..	13.7	5.0	12.0
257	183	Samuel	248	-5	8.9	3.6	38.8
88	78	Scot Met	86	..	5.9	6.7	20.2
175	142	Slough Estates	166	●-2	7.9	4.8	14.2
440	280	Speyhawk	430	..	13.6	3.2	22.5
186	144	Stand Secs	156	+6	5.6	3.5	18.8
745	505	Stock Conversion	740	..	12.1	1.5	34.4
88	68	Stockley	67	..	..	..	..
51	45	Town Centre	50	+1	1.4	2.8	29.8
280	198	Trafford Park	258	..	16.8	6.5	17.1
148	95	UK Land	145	..	..	..	..
605	525	Utd Real	600	-5	20.0	3.3	24.8
835	575	Warner	855	..	25.7	3.1	37.8
548	475	Warnford	545	..	21.4	3.9	32.2
28	17½	Webb (Jos)	27	-1	0.7	2.6	87.1
160	142	West & Country	160	..	11.4	7.1	9.1
SHIPPING							
625	374	Assoc Br Ports	573	●-10	14.3	2.5	17.9
355	301	Br Commonwealth	343	-5	6.3	1.8	26.5
365	291	Caledonia	313	-3	6.1	1.9	69.6
94	65	Fisher (James)	76	-4	4.7	6.2	7.0
603	480	Graig	520	..	17.9	3.4	24.9
71	54½	Jacobs (JI)	69	●-2	5.1	7.4	52.7
12½	7½	Lyle	7½	..	..	..	0.6
39	28	Mersey Docks	39	..	..	..	1.8
210	180	Ocean Transport	187	●-1	9.3	5.0	9.4
576	428	P & O Dfd	551	●-9	22.9	4.2	15.8
105	86	Runciman (Walter)	86	..	7.1	8.3	25.5
390	360	Turnbull Scott	390	+5	12.9	3.3	32.1
SHOES AND LEATHER							
360	290	FII	350	●..	9.3	2.8	12.8
205	164	Garnar Booth	196	..	13.1	6.7	5.9
35	32	Headlam Sims	36	+3	3.1e	8.6	8.2
218	165	Lambert Howarth	206	●..	8.2	4.0	11.0
114	82	Newbold & Burton	75	..	4.4	5.8	23.0
157	116	Pittard	110	●-2	6.2	5.6	7.5
278	156	Strong & Fisher	148	..	11.4	7.7	8.9
		Stylo	250	..	8.4	2.8	30.9
TEXTILES							
305	208½	Allied Text	270	-3	9.3	3.4	16.6
200	135	Atkins Bros	165	..	8.1	4.9	42.5
140	97	Beale (John)	131	..	5.9	4.5	5.6
104	66	Beckman (A)	91	●..	8.2	9.0	10.7
144	123	Br Mohair	128	●-1	8.6	6.7	8.3
82	60	Bulmer & Lumb	82	..	7.1	8.7	20.5
332	143	Coats Patons	298	+3	7.9	2.7	14.0
74⅛	33½	Corah	71	●-1½	5.7	8.0	..
318	190	Courtaulds	287	-3	7.6	2.6	11.3
145	74	Crowther (J)	134	●+2	2.1	1.6	10.9
276	196	Dawson	249	-2	8.9	3.6	15.9
57	42	Debron	53	..	..	..	41.7
378	224	Dixon (D)	335	..	11.4n	3.4	6.4
134	114	Don Brier	120	..	4.6	3.8	5.9
38	25	Dura Mill	42	..	5.7	13.6	5.7
110	78	Foster (John)	93	..	5.0	5.4	8.3
113	88	Gaskell Broadloom	108	-2	7.9	7.3	7.7
38	30	Hicking Pentecost	34	..	..	..	33.3
167	80	Ingram (Harold)	146	..	3.9	2.7	18.7
90	58	Jerome (S)	84	●-1	5.1	6.1	8.5
170	138	Leeds	168	..	7.4	4.4	10.9
77½	54	Lister	73	-1	0.4	0.5	22.8
88	61	Lyles (S)	85	●..	8.2	9.6	17.7
98	71	Mackay (Hugh)	93	●..	6.6	7.1	13.5
22	10	Munton	15½	-½	..	..	5.3
168	94	Parkland 'A'	150	-8	6.9	4.6	7.1
40½	32	Readicut	38½	..	2.3	6.0	10.0
125	109	SEET	113	+2	7.3b	6.5	4.6
34	28½	Shaw Carpets	28	..	2.5e	9.6	14.4
182	135	Sirdar	183	●-1	6.4	3.9	13.1
68	48	Smallshaw (R)	59	●..	3.9	6.6	8.4
117	97	Stroud Riley	103	-2	3.6	3.5	18.1
198	95	Textured Jersey	180	..	7.9	4.4	12.9
188	85	Tomkinsons	198	..	4.3	2.2	15.8
102	73½	Tootal	99	..	5.7	5.8	10.5
325	235	Yorklyde	323	..	9.8	2.9	14.7
TOBACCOS							
431	306	BAT	383	●-8	17.3	4.5	8.4
363	239	Imperial	356	-1	17.1	4.8	13.1
167	127	Rothmans 'B'	150	-2	9.1	6.1	5.2

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
BANKS DISCOUNT HP							
290	193	Allied Irish	243	+2	8.0	3.7	..
81	65	Ansbacher (Henry)	79	+2	..	..	40.9
289	208	Aus New Z	285	+2	15.0	5.1	..
12⅛	8⅝	Bankamerica	£11⅛	-⅛	..	..	..
520	358	Bank Of Ireland	520	..	17.0	3.3	..
9½	8	Bank Leumi Israel	8	..	..	..	..
260	230	Bank Leumi UK	240	..	18.0	8.7	11.2
469	384	Bank Of Scotland	407	●-7	20.0	4.9	8.6
580	429	Barclays	557	-12	26.6	4.8	8.0
600	410	Brown Shipley	600	..	13.2	2.2	25.9
648	423	Cater Allen	596	..	41.3	6.9	14.5
57	38	Cattles	50½	●-½	2.6	5.1	14.0
32⅛	24⅝	Chase Manhattan	£28⅞	-⅛	139	4.8	..
42⅛	33½	Citicorp	£38⅞	..	206	5.4	..
51	32	Clive	49	..	3.6	7.3	8.9
73	46	Com Bank Wales	64	..	3.4	5.3	10.6
112	80½	Commerzbank	£100⅛	-1	6.0	0.1	..
270½	217½	Deutsche Bank	£250	-1	200	4.8	..
212	148	First Nat Finance	210	-2	4.0	1.9	12.7
389	249	Gerrard Nat	367	-2	18.9	5.1	21.4
102	66	Guinness Peat	89	-2	2.7	3.0	14.2
321	160	Hambros	235	-10	9.6	4.1	19.7
37	20	Do (50p)	£51	+1	95.7	3.1	25.9
430	333	Hill Samuel	380	-5	17.0	4.5	10.0
74	55½	HK Shangai	60	●+½	..	..	..
438	318	Joseph (Leopold)	408	-10	17.4	4.3	21.2
188	138	King & Shaxson	180	-2	11.8b	6.6	21.8
830	565	Kleinwort Benson	725	●-3	25.7	3.5	10.6
677	438	Lloyds	632	..	30.0	4.7	6.8
40	32	Manson	37	●..	2.3	6.2	14.1
843	743	Mercury Int	793	-20	..	..	..
183	135	Do 8% 'A'	143	-3	..	..	..
599	417	Midland	582	-12	36.4	6.3	21.8
321	208	Nat Aust Bk	303	..	..	..	..
935	672	Nat West	885	-20	40.3	4.6	5.8
122	80	Ottoman	£120	..	600	5.0	9.4
446	260	Provident	368	-3	15.5	4.2	12.9
80	63	Rea Bros	68	-2	1.8	2.7	16.6
132	102	Rothschild (J) Hld	121	-2	6.5	5.4	14.6
16⅛	13⅛	Royl Bnk Of Can	£13⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
380	260	Royl Bnk Of Scot	335	-16	13.7	4.1	8.7

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Questions over new security

County Bank and Richard Ellis' recently announced new form of security — tradeable equity in a single commercial property — is first and foremost a financial instrument. The property is almost secondary.

Both agree that the new securities — to be called property income certificates — are financial vehicles which happen to apply to property giving the investor an asset-backed flow of income. And they will have to stand up to comparison with other forms of investment.

Ellis and County Bank hope to have three or four buildings valued at about £30 million each ready for flotation by the end of the year and intend to release about 40 per cent of the equity in any one building at a time, which can be done without incurring tax difficulties.

But there are questions about the need for and size of a new securities market trading in commercial property. Ellis and County Bank say market research convinced them it would be viable, and presumably profitable.

But it is unlikely that such a market would survive if fragmented. The property industry is aware of this and Ellis and County Bank are talking with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and with Mercantile House Holdings, both of whom are promoting the selling of units in single commercial properties. The aims are the same, namely to bring liquidity to an illiquid market, but the method differs. The Ellis-County Bank vehicle is aimed at the professional investor while the unitisation advocates want to see investment widened to include the man in the street.

Arlington Securities to seek full listing

By Judith Huntley

Arlington Securities, the property company which specializes in developing business parks, will tomorrow unveil its intention of coming to the market for a full listing, capitalizing the company at £50 million.

It will be followed to market in a few weeks by Bredero, the Dutch developer, which won a hard-fought battle to develop a £90 million office project in the heart of Hammersmith, West London.

Arlington may be called one of the growing band of property trading companies which has made its name in a relatively new area of the market. Bredero, on the other hand, is a mixture of trading and investment company, more in the traditional mould.

The market now loves the so-called "merchant developer." The likes of London & Edinburgh Trust, Rosehaugh and Speyhawk all bear witness to that.

But the market may have more difficulty valuing a company like Bredero, which has successfully developed mixed retail and office schemes and is also involved in the residential market, through Bredero Homes, as indeed are Speyhawk and Rosehaugh.

Bredero is choosing to be a mix of trading and investment company because it believes this will give it the best of both worlds in the long term.

On one hand it will have profits growth from trading and on the other it should retain a high quality asset base from its investments.

There has been a re-structuring before the flotation. All the British property activities are now contained in Bredero Properties, the 100 per cent owned subsidiary of Verenigde Bedrijven Bredero, the Dutch company quoted in Amsterdam.

The British companies were formerly owned by Bredero and Breevast, quoted Dutch companies, with Bredero owning 36 per cent of Breevast.



This is a model of Bredero's most ambitious project to date, the £90 million Centre West office and retail development at Hammersmith, West London. Phase one will have 90,000-sq ft of offices, a 46,000-sq ft shopping centre and the new transport interchange for London Regional Transport, which owns most of the island site. The company has had a protracted planning battle to win permission for the project.

Mr Alan Chisholm, the group managing director, says: "The company will go farther, faster if it is not a 100 per cent subsidiary of a Dutch company. It will open new doors for finance and offer a better management structure for the UK team."

The Dutch parent company will sell some of its shares in Bredero, taking its stake below 50 per cent. But it will maintain a substantial shareholding as a long-term investment. The flotation on the London market will give Bredero several million pounds of new money.

There have been additions to the Bredero board. Mr Michael Davies is the non-executive chairman and is chairman of Tozer Kemsley & Millbourn (Holdings). Mr Peter Firmston-Williams is a non-executive director and holds the same position at Woolworth Holdings. The two will bring a City presence and retailing knowledge to the company.

Bredero Properties is best known for its town centre shopping schemes, notably the Ashley Centre at Epsom, Surrey, its home town. Bredero has retained a substantial part of the income from the £35 million centre as part of its strategy for building a strong asset base. The project was developed with Friends' Provident Life Office and Epsom and Ewell Borough Council.

Bredero has permission for a 270,000-sq ft retail scheme at Aberdeen with 30,000 sq ft of offices. And its St Albans, Hertfordshire, retail development, The Maltings, is 70 per cent let. The company has a £100 million development programme, excluding its plans for the big office development at Hammersmith.

Bredero's profits grew from £371,000 to more than £2 million between 1981 and 1985 while net assets rose from £1.87 million to more than £18 million.

Arlington Securities, operating in an expanding area of the property market — growth industries — saw its pretax profits rise from £2.42 million in 1984 to £3.01 million in 1985.

It says that all its significant land holdings could be worth £800 million when developed.

Arlington wants to raise £10 million before expenses from the flotation. It is going for a full listing.

Apart from its business parks, Arlington is involved in a big City of London office scheme at Holborn with the Mercers Company. And it intends branching into out-of-town shopping centres with leisure facilities.

Radical ways pay at Norwich Union

● Norwich Union Insurance's views on 1985 make interesting reading for the property sector. The insurance company says once again that its good performance for its policy holders is attributable in no little measure to its heavy investment in property.

Last year Norwich Union invested £494 million in Britain, with £185 million going into property. Its radical approach to the sector resulted in 38 per cent of new investment money being put into property compared with 32 per cent in equities.

Most of its rivals in the institutional field have been reducing their investment in property, which averages about 15 to 20 per cent of their overall investment.

Mr David Barker, the chief investment manager, says: "Norwich Union is the biggest developer of retail property in the UK. But why are we so keen on putting money into property? Certainly we expect to get a high initial return from rents — more than 7 per cent from the property investments made in 1985.

"This is well ahead of yields we see quoted in the press and well ahead of the yield from ordinary shares. And we know it is not long before the growth in income from rents starts to overtake the yields from gilts."

● Capital & Counties' withdrawal from making an offer for Bentalls, the family-controlled department store company, raises interesting questions about the nature of retailing and retail assets in the current market.

Bentalls wanted to retain its department store on what is a prime site in the West London suburb of Kingston-upon-Thames. But CapCo argues that it would have been worth substantially more without the store, which is to form part of the £110 million redevelopment of the site being undertaken by Bentalls with Norwich Union Assurance.

Britain's largest shopping centre developer.

CapCo was in the final running with Norwich Union to win the right to develop Bentalls' site but lost by a hair's breadth. Seusing dissension in the Bentall family camp, which owns 57 per cent of the company, the developer tested the market by announcing that it might make an offer for the department store operator. In the event, blood proved thicker than water and CapCo withdrew.

Bentalls' shareholders will have to wait until 1989 to receive rental income accruing from the development.

BAYER AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT

The Annual General Meeting of Bayer Aktiengesellschaft will be held on 19th June 1986 in Cologne. Payment of a Dividend of 20DM for the year 1985 will be proposed.

Copies of the Company's Annual Report for 1985 in German will be available from:-

Hambros Bank Limited,
Hill Samuel & Co Limited,
Kleinwort, Benson Limited,
S G Warburg & Co Ltd.

The report in English is in course of preparation.

United Kingdom Shareholders who wish to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting should by 11th June, 1986, inform S G Warburg & Co Ltd., Bond Department, 33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS, who will make the necessary arrangements on their behalf.

Under Section 125 of the German Companies Act, the Board of Management is only obliged to provide information on proposals and nominations that may be made by shareholders if the parties concerned prove their standing as shareholders in good time.

BAYER AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT
8th May, 1986

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.50%
Adam & Company	10.50%
BCCI	10.50%
Citibank Savings†	10.75%
Consolidated Crds	10.50%
Continental Trust	10.50%
Co-operative Bank	10.50%
C. Hoare & Co	10.50%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.50%
Lloyds Bank	10.50%
Nat Westminster	10.50%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.50%
TSB	10.50%
Citibank NA	10.50%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

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*Extract from the Statement by E.W. Phillips, MBE at the Annual General Meeting on 7th May 1986.

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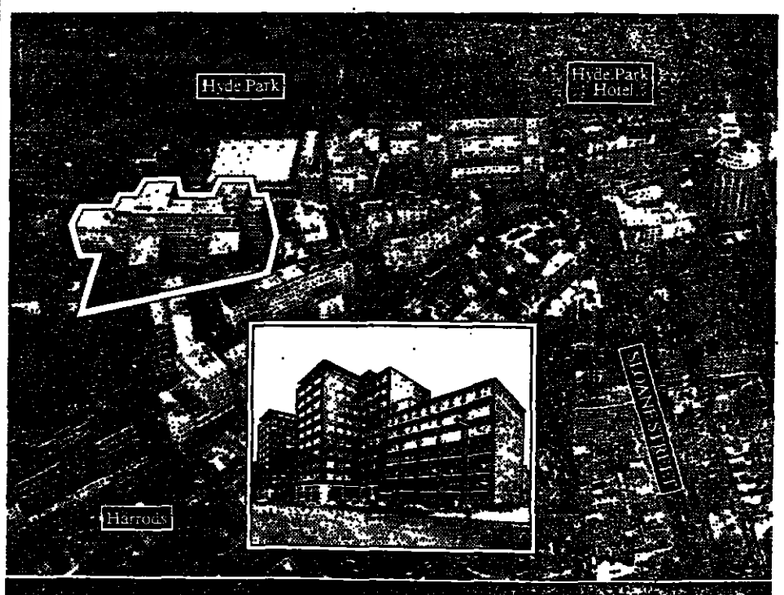
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RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 1986

SUMMARY OF KEY FIGURES (unaudited)	6 months ended 31.3.86	6 months ended 31.3.85	12 months ended 30.9.85
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	£92.7m	£75.9m	£166.3m
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS	£55.3m	£42.1m	£94.8m
EARNINGS PER 25p ORDINARY SHARE	19.5p	17.1p*	35.7p
DIVIDEND PER 25p ORDINARY SHARE	4.0p	3.6p *Restated	9.6p

GROUP PROFIT

The directors of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc report the following results for the six months ended 31 March 1986:

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (unaudited)	6 months ended 31.3.86	6 months ended 31.3.85	12 months ended 30.9.85
OPERATING PROFIT	£m	£m	£m
The company and its subsidiaries	88.8	72.5	158.7
Share of profits of associated companies	3.9	3.4	7.6
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	92.7	75.9	166.3
Taxation [based on UK corporation tax at 37½ per cent. (1985 42½ per cent.)]	(37.0)	(33.5)	(71.6)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	55.7	42.4	94.7
Minority interests	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.1)
	55.4	42.2	94.6
Preference dividends	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)
PROFIT BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	55.3	42.1	94.5
Extraordinary items	—	—	0.3
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS	55.3	42.1	94.8
Ordinary dividends	(11.4)	(10.2)	(27.2)
RETAINED PROFIT	43.9	31.9	67.6
EARNINGS PER 25p ORDINARY SHARE	19.5p	17.1p*	35.7p
DIVIDEND PER 25p ORDINARY SHARE	4.0p	3.6p * Restated	9.6p

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	31.3.86	31.3.85	30.9.85
Assets	£m	£m	£m
Cash and short term funds	3,819.9	3,545.6	3,349.5
Investments	537.0	557.4	489.9
Advances and other accounts	10,309.8	10,434.1	10,684.7
	14,466.7	14,537.1	14,524.1
Premises and equipment	455.0	361.4	424.7
Other assets	88.8	73.3	82.3
	15,010.5	14,971.8	15,031.1
Liabilities			
Deposits and customers' current accounts	12,929.1	13,312.7	13,174.8
Notes in circulation	363.5	336.5	345.6
Other liabilities	333.1	226.7	288.0
	13,625.7	13,875.9	13,808.4
Dated loan capital	223.7	269.8	338.1
Undated loan capital	236.5	—	—
Minority interests	2.8	3.0	2.6
Shareholders' funds	921.8	823.1	882.0
	15,010.5	14,971.8	15,031.1

ANALYSIS OF PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	6 months ended 31.3.86	6 months ended 31.3.85	12 months ended 30.9.85
THE COMPANY AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES	£m	£m	£m
Interest and investment income receivable	759.6	722.9	1,483.4
Interest payable	(548.7)	(540.7)	(1,108.2)
Net interest income	210.9	182.2	385.2
Other operating income	88.3	72.3	158.1
	299.2	254.5	543.3
Staff expenses	(110.5)	(93.0)	(203.4)
Premises and equipment expenses including depreciation	(36.5)	(31.4)	(65.4)
Other expenses	(38.8)	(31.8)	(74.4)
	(185.9)	(156.2)	(343.2)
Bad and doubtful debts charge - specific	(29.3)	(22.3)	(39.2)
- general	(3.8)	(4.3)	(7.8)
	(219.0)	(182.8)	(390.2)
	80.2	71.7	153.1
Profit on sales of premises	—	—	1.8
Profit on sales of investments	8.6	0.8	3.8
	88.8	72.5	158.7
SHARE OF PROFITS OF ASSOCIATED COMPANIES	3.9	3.4	7.6
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	92.7	75.9	166.3
Operating profit of Charterhouse plc and its subsidiaries and associated company included in the above figures	13.4	1.5	9.6
Average base rate	11.9%	11.5%	11.8%
Average margin between base rate and retail deposit rate	3.6%	3.0%	3.1%

NOTE

Following a decision by the directors, freehold and long leasehold buildings are no longer depreciated as the fabric and appearance of these properties are maintained to the highest possible standard with the cost charged against operating profit. The effect on profits of this change is not material.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRE-TAX PROFIT

(Excluding profit on sales of premises)	6 months ended 31.3.86	6 months ended 31.3.85	12 months ended 30.9.85
	%	%	%
Domestic	55	53	49
International	12	21	23
Related services	33	26	28

The information given here does not comprise full accounts within the meaning of Section 254 of the Companies Act 1985. Full accounts for the year ended 30 September 1985 on which the auditors gave an unqualified report have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

The unaudited profit before taxation for the six months ended 31 March 1986 amounted to £92.7 million, an increase of £16.8 million or 22.1 per cent. over the corresponding period last year. There has been a 14.0 per cent. increase in the earnings per ordinary share from 17.1p in 1985 to 19.5p.

The principal contributions to this increase came from higher net interest earnings of 15.8 per cent. and fee income ahead by 22.1 per cent. Offset against this was an increase in costs of 19.0 per cent. and a higher bad debt charge.

Average base rate was 11.9 per cent. compared with 11.5 per cent. last year and the average margin between base rate and retail deposit rate went from 3.0 per cent. to 3.6 per cent.

One half of the increase in the charge for bad and doubtful debts flows from the accounts of subsidiary companies recently acquired. The increase of 12 per cent. in this charge for the Clearing Bank is, nevertheless, disappointing and reflects continuing problems encountered particularly by the oil service and shipping industries.

This is the first time that we have fully consolidated the operating profit figures of Charterhouse plc (formerly The Charterhouse Group plc) and whilst this has increased our overall costs it is pleasing to report a substantial contribution to profits from this source. Comparative figures have been adjusted accordingly.

On 30 October 1985, the company issued US$350 million undated primary capital floating rate notes on a perpetual basis to strengthen its capital base and to redeem US$150 million of dated subordinated loan capital.

The directors have declared half year dividends on the 11 per cent. and 5½ per cent. cumulative preference shares at the rate of 3.85 per cent. and 1.925 per cent. respectively. These dividends will be paid on 30 May 1986 to those preference shareholders registered on 9 May 1986. The directors have declared an interim dividend on the ordinary shares for the year to 30 September 1986 of 4.0p per share compared with 3.6p per share in 1985. This interim dividend will be paid on 1 July 1986 to those ordinary shareholders registered on 30 May 1986.

Chairman's Comments

On this, the first occasion on which we announce our profits since the merger of our clearing bank operations in September 1985, I am pleased to report that a further substantial increase has been achieved. This is heartening and tangible evidence of the success of our merger policy and we shall continue to pursue vigorously our dual objectives of expanding the range of our services and of creating a structure that will enable us to provide these services in a form that our customers require.

Examples of developments in the last six months which demonstrate this policy have been the introduction of the Complete Pension Scheme by The Royal Bank of Scotland and the announcement, in February 1986, of our intention to form a new, specialised subsidiary company to offer a full range of debt factoring services.

A further significant step in the development of the Group's securities and investment management services has been the recent acquisition by our merchant banking subsidiary, Charterhouse plc, of Tilney & Co, the major Liverpool-based stockbroking firm.

The immediate future will result in many fundamental changes in the structure of the financial services industry and we intend to build on the operating strengths derived from the merger and subsequent developments to ensure the future prosperity of the Group.

Michael Herries
Chairman

A copy of the Interim Statement is available from the Secretary, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, 36 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YB.

New powers could be delayed, warns home loans chief

By Lawrence Lever

Mr Roy Cox, chairman of the Building Societies Association, warned yesterday that there was a 50-50 chance that the passage of the Building Societies Bill would be delayed for four or five months after January 1 1987, when it is scheduled to come into force.

He told the association's annual conference at Bournemouth the delay would put building societies at a serious competitive disadvantage in certain areas.

He said: "Some markets are changing so quickly that building societies are in danger of missing the boat if the legislation is delayed."

He named estate agency, money transmission services, housing and personal pensions as areas where it was essential for societies to receive new powers as soon as possible.

The main reason for the possible delay is the congestion of legislation in the Lords, which means the Bill will not receive its second reading there until the middle of next month. Mr Mark Boleat, deputy secretary general of the BSA, said if procedures in the Lords took a significant time the Bill would not receive Royal Assent before the summer recess.

A Treasury spokesman said this was vital for a January 1 implementation of the Bill because of the formal structures which the new Building Societies Commission will have to implement under the legislation.

Mr Cox dismissed new competition in the mortgage market but advised societies not to abandon prudent lending policies.

He said: "One hears talk of new entrants in the market, including the National Home Loans Corporation, the Household Funding Corporation, the Mortgage Corporation and the Household Mortgage Corporation, as well as the Prudential insurance company, Citibank and many others. It is difficult to obtain definite figures but I would be surprised if between them these institutions lend £2 billion gross this year and the figure is more likely to be nearer to £1 billion.

"At most, the banks will make gross loans of about £8 million." But societies, he forecast, will make gross loans of about £30 billion this year, leaving them with between 75 and 80 per cent of the market — "a very healthy share".

He confirmed a record £3 billion worth of mortgage commitments by the societies last month.

On the question of the Financial Services Bill, Mr Cox said the BSA had made unsuccessful overtures to the Committee of London and Scottish Banks to form a single self-regulatory organisation (SRO) with the banks.

The idea, that there should be one SRO adapted to the needs of multi-branch organisations which provided financial services, was rejected by the committee.

The BSA has also held talks with Sir Kenneth Berrill, chairman of the new City watchdog, the Securities and Investment Board, over the possibility of a single SRO for building societies. Mr Cox said Sir Kenneth "was saying no slowly" although the position may be different if building societies were given fund mangement powers in relation to personal pensions.

The BSA also had preliminary talks with NASDIM and LUTIRO (the Life and Unit Trust Intermediaries Regulatory Organisation). Mr Richard Weir, secretary general of the BSA, said formal discussions with the two bodies, which are due to merge into a single SRO, would take place shortly.

Mr Cox also revealed that the BSA has proposed a code of practice to the government relating to the sale of mortgages.

"This code would basically provide that existing loans could not be sold except in exceptional circumstances and that new loans capable of being sold should be clearly classified as being such when the loan is made and the borrower be required to agree specifically to the loan being of that nature," he said.

APPOINTMENTS

● **THOMAS FRENCH:** The company has sold its subsidiary, Lilleys Narrow Fabrics, based in Derby, to Marling Industries, for about £610,000.

● **DAWSON INTERNATIONAL:** The Glenmac Knitwear (Hawick) subsidiary has announced plans for expansion costing £1.25 million. Over the next five years, this investment will add 50 per cent to capacity and involve expansion at the company's locations in Hawick and Arbroath in Scotland. Glenmac is a manufacturer of luxury knitwear.

APPOINTMENTS

Albany Life Assurance Co: Mr M J B Kerr and Mr E G T Merry have joined the board.

Moorgate Group: Mr John Allison, Mr Alan Chance, Mr Philip McMillan and Mr Allan Carey have been made directors.

Ocean Transport & Trading: Mr C D St Johnston has been named as deputy managing director.

National Girobank: Mr Stephen Anderson has become general manager for the north-west region.

Heron Corporation: Mr Colin Roberts has joined the board.

National Westminster Bank: Mr Robert Robinson has been made a director of the eastern regional board.

Christian Salvesen: Mr Alick Rankin has become a non-executive director.

Kleinwort, Benson, Lonsdale: Sir Philip Haddon-Cave, Mr R T Fox, Mr D A E R Peake and Lord Rockley have been appointed directors.

Dobson Park Industries: Dr Gordon Marshall has become a non-executive director.

Racal Energy Resources: Mr Phil Pembleton becomes production director of Racal Positioning Systems and Mr Malcolm Prestwood technical director of Racal Survey.

Beazer Leech: Mr Bob Robinson has become chairman of the Midland region and an executive director of Beazer Homes, the house building division of C H Beazer (Holdings).

Kingsfield Group: The new main board comprises Mr David Hawkins and Mr John Mansfield (managing directors), Mr John Fotherby (operations director) and Mr Adrian Kerr (personnel director).

J D Kingsfield: Mr Anthony Burns and Mr Robert O'Dell have joined the board. Mr Alastair McEwan, Mr John Quincey and Mr Christopher White have been named as associate directors.

Turriff Corporation: Mr John L Wyatt joins the board as chief executive.

COMPANY NEWS

● **SILENTNIGHT HOLDINGS:** Year to Feb. 1, 1986. Total dividend 1p (2.75p). Turnover £71.29 million (£79.78 million). Pretax profit £270,000 (£2.23 million). Earnings per share 0.56p (6.29p). The board explains that the results were affected by the strike last year at Silentnight Beds, but the second-half improvement more than made good the first-half loss of £820,000.

● **W A HOLDINGS:** Dividend 0.1p (same) for the year to Feb. 2, 1986, to maintain trustee status, payable on July 31. Turnover £8.74 million (£10.18 million). Pretax profit £30,000 (loss £170,000). Earnings per share 0.14p (loss 2.02p).

● **DIPLOMA:** Six months to March 31, 1986. Interim dividend 1.25p (same). Turnover £44.73 million (£46.11 million). Pretax profit £5.58 million (£7.81 million). Earnings per share 6.0p (8.0p).

● **CENTREWAY TRUST:** No dividend (nil) for 1985. Turnover £2.55 million (£2.56 million). Profit on ordinary activities before tax £80,000 (loss £133,000). Loss per share 4.2p (6.3p).

● **MOLYNX HOLDINGS:** Dividend 1.5p (1p) for 1985. Turnover £2.03 million (£1.8 million). Pretax profit £243,178 (£121,616). Earnings per share 8.5p (4.52p).

● **RODIME:** Three months to March 31, 1986. Turnover £18.34 million (£18.29 million). Pretax profit £401,000 (£4.09 million). Earnings per share 3.3p (29.8p).

● **ROTAFLEX:** Emess Lighting has now posted its offer document to Rotaflex shareholders. But the board of Rotaflex is advising shareholders to reject the offers. It will shortly be writing to them, giving its reasons.

● **UNITED FRIENDLY INSURANCE:** Final dividend of 12.1p (10p), making 17.2p (14.6p), payable on May 22, for 1985. Pretax profit £9.6 million (£6.8 million). Earnings per share rose to 36.1p (28.5p).

● **THIRD MILE INVESTMENT:** Total dividend for 1985 2.2p (1.9p). Turnover £1.62 million (£907,000). Pretax profit £242,500 (£179,000). Earnings per share 9p (6.8p).

● **LONDON ENTERTAINMENTS:** Six months to Feb. 28, 1986. No interim dividend (same). Pretax profit £184,913 (£170,315). Earnings per share 3.49p (3.04p).

● **FREEMANS:** Mr J C Brooman, the chairman, reports in his annual statement that there is a favourable outlook for mail order this year. Continuing growth in the number of agents and in sales per agent will mean improving results, although the cold, wet spring affected the start of the year.

● **APV HOLDINGS:** The board is strongly advising shareholders to reject Siebe's bid and it is confident that they will find the company's reasons for this compelling.

● **HIGH GOSFORTH PARK:** Dividend of 15p (15p), plus a special bonus of 5p for 1985. Turnover slipped to £636,906 (£643,945), but profit before tax soared to £82,449 (£35,185).

● **WINTERBOTTOM ENERGY TRUST:** Net asset value (unaudited) per ordinary share totalled 118.4p after deduction of prior charges at par and 120.5p after deduction of prior charges at market value.

● **TRANS-NATAL COAL:** Results for the quarter to March 31 compared with the previous quarter (figures in rand 000) show group income at 87,791 (106,850) and pretax income at 73,241 or £19.53 million (96,292). Earnings per share were down to 49 cents (56 cents).

● **BMW:** A dividend of 12.50 marks (same) has been declared for 1985, along with a one-for-four rights issue at 185 marks a share (£54.50).

● **BARRACK MINES:** The company reports a 31 per cent increase in net profits to Aus$949,000 (£443,457) for the six months to December 31.

● **METRAMAR MINERALS:** Net operating loss rose to Aus$929,000 (£434,112), against Aus$654,000 for 1985.

● **ENERGY RESOURCE SERVICE:** The net asset value at April 30 stood at $7.43 or 479p per share.

● **RONALD MARTIN GROUP:** Mr Martin Abramson, the chairman, says in his annual report that the first three months of the current year have started on budget and he expects the group to continue its progress.

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- ☐ Increased volumes of work in the mechanical and electrical sector despite intense competition.
- ☐ IDC acquired during 1985, extending the Group's engineering capability in design and construction.
- ☐ Current year commenced with order book comparable to recent years and encouraging volume of enquiries for future work.



Summary of Results

	1985 £000	1984 £000
Turnover	432,672	382,769
Value Added	217,650	201,439
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	16,061	14,245
Profit attributable to shareholders	9,500	6,914
Shareholders' funds	61,655	48,662
Dividends per share (net)	4.5p	3.9375p
Earnings per share	13.28p	10.11p

The Summary of Results shown above is an abridged version of the audited accounts which have been, and will be, filed with the Registrar of Companies. The Auditors' reports are unqualified.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in London on Friday, 30th May, 1986

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THE TIMES

GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

May 8, 1986

The West will win on the industrial front, says Nick Thornely, thanks to the new breed of managers who know how to lead



The West has taken quite a battering during the past two decades. The old empires have seen themselves surpassed in wealth by the Middle East and in the market-place by the Far East. But the tide is now on the turn. The old, anti-industrial attitudes of empires in decline are being reversed.

Industrial relations problems and spiralling wages are now reaching the East, where they still have to catch up with the West when it comes to balancing the political powers of employers and the employed. Countries which become rich on sweated labour have to go through painful times before fair shares are arrived at.

In the West we have been through our pain barrier. The deadwood has been cut away and our business communities are bristling with tightly run, profitable and expanding companies. The harsh school of recession has thrown up a generation of new managers who know how to lead, how to work and how to win.

The evidence is all around us. John Egan has worked miracles at Jaguar, the management team at British Airways has succeeded in rekindling morale from the merest ashes bringing the company back to the forefront of its industry. In the high street Lords Sieff and Rayner, Ralph Halpern, Terence Conran and a host of less famous names are building success upon success.

Behind these famous "shop window" successes, however, lie thousands of equally dramatic stories in less glamorous industries. Peter Bullock, for instance, was brought into James Neill Holdings to rescue Neill Tool after turning round Flymo for Electrolux. The company, beleaguered by every marketing, management and production problem imaginable, was losing £3.5 million a year. Just by tightening up the leadership Bullock multiplied the share price by five, and the company recently took over Spear and Jackson.

Bullock is typical of the new sort of manager who sets his goals and will not be deviated. He spends money on training and motivating people and it pays off.

Colt International, where the spontaneous "We're Backing Britain" movement started a few years ago, is now under the dynamic new leadership of Martin Wylie. He has steered the company successfully through the recent depression in particularly difficult market conditions.

Now we must harness this new energy and move forward to win back the world markets we have lost during the last generation. To do that we need to spread enthusiasm and optimism throughout industry. Contrary to popular belief people are not motivated by money. Once they have what they believe to be a fair rate for the job, they need other things to inspire them to greater efforts.

All people have ideas on how their companies could be more efficient, but they are not encouraged to voice them. Management simply has to give them permission to speak, finding the keys to release the ideas and turn them into positive suggestions.

Any company which has run a suggestion scheme — and most sizeable ones have — will tell you that only about 5 per cent of people bother actually to put forward their ideas, even if there is a prospect of considerable financial reward dangled in front of them. They will spout on about what is wrong with their job in the pub, and grumble to the family at home, but will not make any effort to change things at the place of work.

In order to get the best from any workforce, management must make sure they feel involved in the whole company, its hopes and its plans. People need to feel proud of their jobs and their employers. Pride is an enormous source of energy. A skilled craftsman will work twice as hard to produce something he will be proud of at the end of the day. That pride, however, has to be instilled from above, it does not grow spontaneously.

Employees must be informed of everything that is going well, they must feel their suggestions are bearing fruit and that they are receiving recognition and thanks for what they are doing. Firstly, however, the company must set up a system for the collection of ideas, while at the same time inspiring people to think creatively.

By involving everyone in the company's goals it is possible to cut costs without losing jobs. There is always wastage in any company, but only the people working on the spot can see exactly where it is and how it can be avoided.

Industrial Motivation runs a scheme called Quid Each Day, which sets out as its initial target a saving of £1 every day for every employee. It may not sound like much, but if you have a workforce of thousands it soon adds up. It also acts as a foundation for a change of attitudes, and eventual savings can escalate fantastically once everyone is working along the right lines, aiming at the same goals and enjoying the challenge.

To feel good about their work people always need to face challenges, but they must be carefully planned and attainable — nothing is more depressing than failing to meet a challenge. Performance can also be improved by setting people realistic deadlines. If you give someone forever to solve a problem that is exactly how long he or she will take.

Many jobs can become repetitive and dull, but it is possible to keep people thinking and questioning and laughing with imaginative schemes. Laughter is one of the great untapped sources of energy in Britain. Happy people feel better, and work better.

The secret for building all these incentives into your management style is to have a structured scheme running throughout the company, and including all the motivating factors. The results can be stunning.

The new breed of managers has realized that although technology has an important role to play in their future success, people are still the most valuable commodity any employer has.

All employers know how expensive recruiting, training and employing people is, but have they worked out the potential rewards of using people properly? The financial managers have always worked out exactly how best to utilize their buildings and their capital equipment, yet they seldom sit down and work out the cost of badly managed workers. They talk about "increasing productivity" as an abstract goal, without taking the time and trouble to sit down and work out exactly how to motivate people to achieve it.

It is no good achieving short-term financial goals by laying people off, or by offering others more money to stay. The human being needs more than that to stimulate him throughout a career of up to half a century. To improve people's work attitudes you have to improve their quality of life.

One-off, half-hearted incentive schemes to boost sales or increase production can only ever produce short-term results, and will only ever motivate a small percentage of people. To motivate the majority you have to become involved with their lives and their feelings, their hopes and their aspirations. It takes a lot of management time and effort and is not a route for the lazy boss, but the returns are incalculable.

The only sure way of failing to take full advantage of our new found strength is to surrender to negative thinking. It is not hard to find voices bewailing our continued decline and problems. The media can always turn up examples of industrial strife, boardroom corruption, overmanning, inefficiency, greed and all the other deadly sins. It is vital that we do not come to believe that this is the whole picture.

For every example of management or union abuse of power there are a hundred companies full of hard-working, conscientious individuals. The good news does not make interesting reading, and if a company wants to broadcast its success story it will have to blow its own trumpet very loudly to be heard above the moanings and gnashings of teeth.

Industry Year is a brilliant start to our newly reformed position, as is the recent boom in company magazines and trade journals which take positive views of what is going on around them.

We are a nation of massive potential strength — now is the time to grasp the nettle firmly. Once a renaissance is under way it spirals upwards under its own steam. Nothing boosts morale like winning, and small victories can be nurtured into immense triumphs. We are now all set to get back on top. It simply remains for us to do it.

Nick Thornely is managing director of Industrial Motivation, a firm of incentive scheme organizers

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General Manager
c£18,000 + car — **South Wales**

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for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty

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Salary Range: £9,340–£13,820 p.a., plus a contributory pension scheme.

Please write for further details and application form, enclosing SAE, to:

Miss Margaret Harris
Personnel Officer
The National Trust
36 Queen Anne's Gate
London, SW1H 9AS

Closing Date: 21 May 1986.

DIRECTOR
Consumers' Association

Consumers' Association, a membership organization with 800,000 subscribers, is seeking a Director to succeed Peter Goldman, who leaves next year. The Director is responsible for managing a business with an annual turnover of over £25m and a staff of some 400, and for the campaigning activities of the Association.

The business is largely publishing, based on testing and research, and includes Which? magazine, Gardening from Which?, Holiday Which?, the Good Food Guide and other magazines and books of consumer interest. Campaigning is research-led and includes pressure on Government and business and maintaining close contact with Westminster, Whitehall and the media.

Candidates must have:

- a record of management achievement in business and/or in a substantial not-for-profit operation
- a commitment to campaign on behalf of all consumers
- the intellect and ability to lead a team of highly professional people
- an appreciation of the need for rigorous research
- excellent communications skills
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Those who wish to be considered or who wish to nominate a candidate should write, enclosing a curriculum vitae, to the management consultants who are advising the Association:

The Chairman, Spencer Stuart, Brook House, 113 Park Lane, London W1Y 4HJ.
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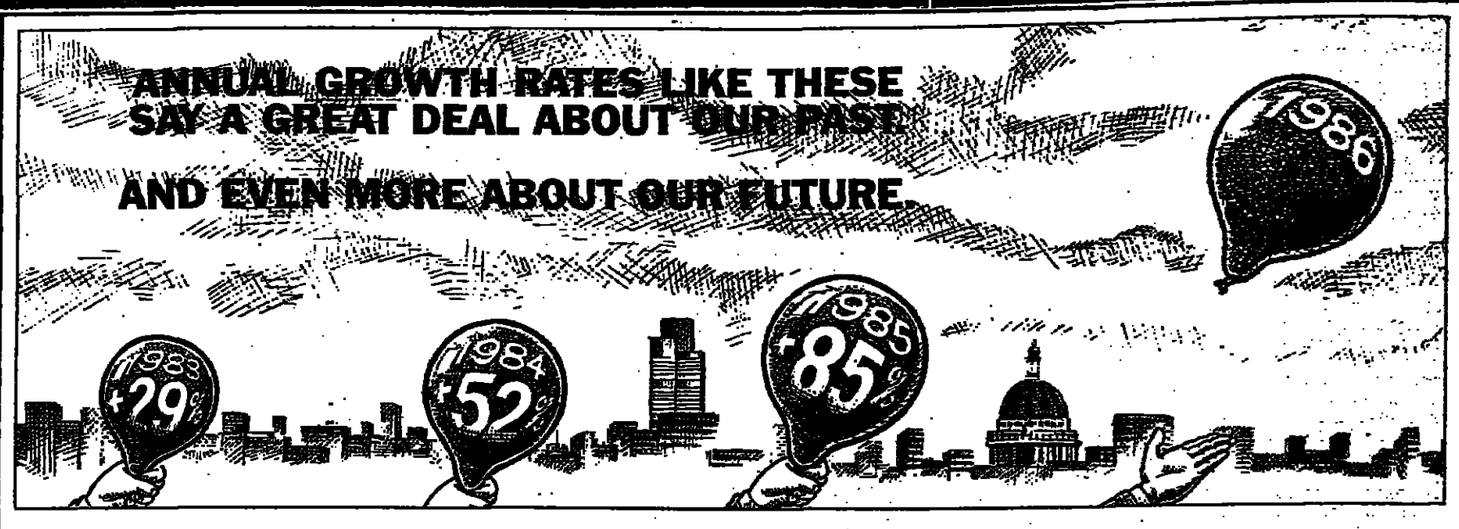
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A guide to career development

A turn-up for the blue collar

With an increase in the financial earning power and status of blue collar work, interest in these jobs is growing fast. Godfrey Golzen looks at a variety of the options

The news that plumbers can earn a considerably higher hourly rate than solicitors receive from legal aid clients is a sign of the shift in the balance of financial power from the less lucrative end of white collar work towards skilled blue collar jobs and the crafts that in some ways resemble them. Since status and money inevitably meet sooner or later, that is bound to remove the social stigma that attaches, at least in the UK, to many kinds of manual work.

Eton, often a sensitive indicator of social change, now has a School of Mechanics — known to initiates as the school of maniacs — where pupils who are interested in these matters can tinker with machines and tools. That and the school's highly regarded art department is where Jonnah Behrens developed a taste for carpentry which lay dormant until he became dissatisfied with the life as a merchant banker after eight years in the family firm.

By that time he was too old for an apprenticeship so he got a job as a maintenance man with a firm of boat builders in Teddington. "They were just completing their last wooden boat when I joined, but there's still an awful lot of carpentry behind those fibreglass hulls." That was the work to which he progressed when he had demonstrated his abilities and he stayed with them for four years. "There wasn't a lot of money in it — maybe eighty quid a week — but I learned a tremendous lot," he says, "If you can work within the confined spaces and narrow tolerances of a boat, you can build pretty much anything."

Domestic carpentry came easily after that and it was one of the skills he offered

The plumber's job is acquiring a new status

when he set up on his own as a general handyman in 1980. His starting costs were quite modest. "I had quite a lot of tools already and I bought a circular saw — you need to be able to work quickly if you're doing this sort of thing commercially."

There was no problem about getting work. "I've never had to advertise. Any number of friends and friends of friends needed work done on their houses. If you advertise you're apt to get jobs you don't much want to do." He has kept his relationships on a businesslike footing, though. He charges an hourly rate based on labour and materials, though he admits that on bigger assignments, when he is asked to give a quote, it can be difficult to estimate the time element in advance — if you under-estimate, it is you who has to foot the bill.

There is also a seasonal aspect to his work. Mid-summer and the early months of the year tend to be quiet, whereas in spring and autumn he often has more to do than he can comfortably handle. In order to get a more even flow — and because of his interest in designing as well as making things — he is turning to producing furniture. So far this has consisted of one-offs for private clients, but he is now preparing some prototypes for Conran which may mark the beginning of a new phase.

When he first began he worked from a studio near his house in Putney, but as business grew he moved to a shared workspace in the East End. "It's much better for suppliers," he says. "You can get anything there, more or less round the corner. In fact we run an additional trade of our own, supplying British hardwoods to other craftsmen." His next step will be to move out of London altogether and he is now looking for an old house in the country to do up. "One of the advantages of this business is that once you've built up your contacts, you can operate more or less from anywhere."

That was certainly true for the gold and silversmith Ernest Blythe. When the lease on the Shepherds Market premises that he shared with his partner Frances Beck ran out, they simply moved to Buckingham, where they bought and renovated an old pub. They now work in what used to be the cellar. "It provides the two things you most need in our craft. Security and lots of room," he says.

Security is mostly required for work in progress. They generally have a number of pieces on the go at the same time, ranging from individual rings to major pieces like the trophy they designed for the winner of the Whitbread round-the-world yacht race. The publicity that kind of commission brings, plus the fact that they have won a number of major international competitions means that they can do without advertising.

He and Beck split the work between them. "She does the designs, I mostly make from them. We also use some outworkers for specialist tasks like setting the polishing stones." He keeps in contact with them on his trips to London — he travels up at least a couple of times a week to buy bullion and gemstones. He and Beck also have to keep an eye on fashions. "The Royal Family is a tremendous influence," he says. "When Princess Diana takes to wearing sapphires, everyone wants them." Changes in taste also mean that some of their work consists of altering existing pieces — though they try to discourage clients who want to take apart what are sometimes unique pieces of Victorian jewellery.

Blythe says that you don't need a lot of capital to get started as a goldsmith and that the tools can last a lifetime. Nevertheless the failure rate among makers is very high. "It's extremely difficult to estimate costs on an elaborate piece until you have some experience of how much time something like that is going to take."

Blythe by training and Behrens by inclination were quick to focus on what they were best at. Ilinca Cantacuzino feels she is getting there now with her silk screen designs for scarves and etched windows. These two apparently disparate themes are related because they both depend on the effect of light on materials.

She was not trained as a designer, though she comes from a family where interest in design has always been strong. Her father is Sherban Cantacuzino, an architect and writer who is now Secretary of the Royal Fine Arts Commission. She reads English, but she doesn't think that her lack of formal training is a handicap. "There are things I missed out on, obviously, but if you come to design from outside you bring to it a freshness that can get dissipated in the schools."

Training came by doing. She has worked a lot with Johnny Gray, a kitchen designer — and nephew of Elizabeth David — who led the trend away from the stark, laboratory-like kitchens that were popular in the early seventies. Through him she got her first really important commission, designing windows for the architectural historian Charles Jencks.

That was followed by a period when she tried to spread her wings by working with a partner. "Part of the object was to motivate each other," she says. "Motiva-

For the financially secure motivation can be a problem

tion can be a problem if you're financially secure and also have other responsibilities — it's a middle class dilemma, in fact." She now thinks they tried to do too much, too quickly. They tried to be designers, manufacturers and retailers and in the process got involved in aspects of business they didn't know enough about.

For instance, they rightly felt they ought to be doing mail order selling, but they found that they under-estimated the amount of pre-planning that was involved to do this successfully. They overlooked the fact that you have to have a product that can be easily described or illustrated within the confines of a limited budget.

She now works on her own from home and relies on word of mouth and a well produced portfolio of work to show potential clients. So what advice does she have for the many people who, like herself, want to break away from conventional career paths? "Just do it," she says bluntly. "But don't spend too much money setting it up. After that, it's only by making mistakes and learning from them that you can develop the confidence in your own ability that you need to give your work some direction."

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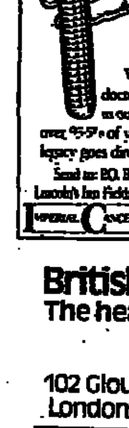
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Amateur league's pioneers show professional touch

RUGBY LEAGUE DIARY
Keith Macklin

Early next week the British Amateur Rugby League Association (BARLA) will announce the names of the 10 teams who will make history next season by forming the first national amateur rugby league, a further stride forward by the burgeoning amateur game.

A total of 29 clubs applied to join the new league, the Barrow area leading the way with four applications. Others have come from famous amateur sides in Cumbria, Humberside, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Merseyside and Yorkshire. There is one application that demonstrates the growth of the game in the South. South London, one of the surprise teams of the BARLA Cup competition, putting in a surprise application which deserves admiration for audacity.

The rules and regulations which will control and guide the 10 teams are severe to the point of being Draconian. There is no doubt that only clubs meeting the high standards will be chosen, and the two bottom clubs will have to apply for re-election each season, and face a challenge from ambitious outsiders.

The national administrator of BARLA, Maurice Oldroyd, says: "The successful clubs will have had to state their playing achievements, prove their financial suitability and have their ground facilities and pitch rigorously inspected by a five-man National League sub-committee. We are determined to have the best standards at every conceivable level."

Each team will be handed an 11-point charter outlining what is required, and one of the regulations emphasizes BARLA's sharp publicity sense. Club secretaries are ordered to telephone the final scores in their home matches to the appropriate newspapers and broadcasting media within 15 minutes of the end of the game, and any club defaulting will be fined £50. The officials of the away team will have the responsibility of getting in touch with their own media outlets.

The professional approach to this top amateur league is also apparent in the insistence that teams must produce a presentable programme for every home game, with no place for scruffy duplicated sheets run off at the last minute.

Learning from the painful experience of the professional game, with its fixture chaos caused by bad weather, BARLA officials will take responsibility for allocating dates for postponed fixtures, thereby avoiding a crippling end-of-season backlog. Clubs failing to play will be fined £250. There will be a limit of three former professionals on each club's register and no permit players will be allowed.

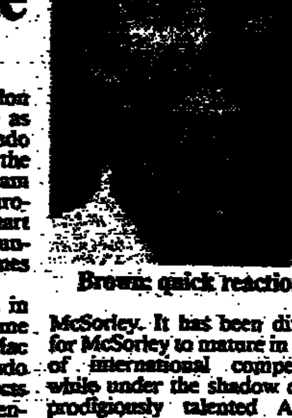
Oldroyd says: "It's a pity so many clubs will have to be disappointed this first time round, but with two re-election places every season, clubs will have an annual opportunity to prove themselves and gain entry."

Rugby League watchers are eagerly waiting this development. Almost certainly some of the top amateur clubs in the National League will attract bigger gates than many second division professional clubs. With the Rugby Football Union prepared to recommend the free gangway between the codes, and the new Super League about to become a reality, these are heady boom days for the association, formed in 1973, with its unbroken run of successful development.

JUDO

McSorley ready for big chance

From Philip Nicksan
Belgrade



Brown: quick reactions

The extent to which London has lost its traditional role as producer of the leading judo fighters can be seen in the composition of the British team competing in the men's European championships which start here today and run until Sunday. Not one member comes from the capital.

In fact, of the seven men in the team no less than four come from one Midlands club — Mac Abbot's Wolverhampton Judo Club — while two are products of Tony McConnell's Judo Centre in the Lake District.

Of course this will be a slightly odd event from the British point of view for it is the first time for a decade that the British team has not included Neil Adams, the Olympic silver medal winner. After his defeat at the British open he remains undecided over his competitive future and did not ask to be included in the team for the 1986 European championships.

In his place is the 21-year-old Scot, Martin McSorley, who at last has an opportunity to compete in a major international after playing second fiddle to Adams for so long — despite reasonable success on the international circuit.

"I know that this is my chance to show what I can do," said McSorley. It has been difficult for McSorley to mature in terms of international competition while under the shadow of the prodigiously talented Adams and, realistically, he cannot aspire to more than bronze medal status on this occasion.

The best chances of top medals, therefore, will come from the competitors from Wolverhampton, particularly the lightweight, Kerrith Brown, who is due to add to his medal tally after an unhappy period since his Olympic bronze in Los Angeles. His British open win last month — his fifth in a row, which is no mean feat as he is only 23 years old — showed again his quick-silver reactions, which he will need if he is to beat strong opposition from Richard Mellilo (France) and the Soviet Union's Yury Sokolov — now down from light-middleweight to lightweight.

FOOTBALL

Wimbledon are hoping for third time lucky

Wimbledon will make their third visit to Bradford in three weeks today looking for the win that will give them the runners-up place in the second division.

Tuesday night's goalless draw at Charlton Athletic, who have already won promotion to the first division with the Dons, left Wimbledon three points away from second place and the extra £10,000 in prize-money.

Charlton's largest gate of the season, more than 13,000, saw one of the team's poorest home performances. The Charlton manager, Lennie Lawrence, was encouraged by the size of the crowd. He said: "The support was terrific and it made it all worthwhile. I hope we can get 5,000 of them to buy season tickets, which will bring in the finance to help improve the team."

Wimbledon went to Bradford on April 16 to play their rearranged game, after a postponement on February 1. They were leading with a goal by Lawrie Sanchez when the match was abandoned because the pitch was waterlogged. Five days later they returned to Yorkshire, only for another downpour to cause a late postponement.

Derby County need two points from two games to make sure of a return to the second division after Tuesday night's 3-0 win at Swansea City. Two goals by Trevor Christie, one a penalty, and one from Jeff Chandler pushed them to the threshold of promotion. They are at home to Rotherham tomorrow and travel to Darlington on Monday.

Wigan Athletic, who can only sit and hope in third place after finishing their programme, have slackened their hold on the Freight Rover Trophy. The holders went down 1-0 to Bolton in their home leg of the northern final, Tony Caldwell scoring in the last minute.

In the southern final first leg Hereford beat Bristol City 2-0, Stewart Phillips and Ollie Kearns scoring in the first half at Edgar Street.

● Alex MacDonald, who steered Heart of Midlothian so close to the premier division championship this season, has been named as the Scottish Brewers' Personality Manager of the Year. MacDonald joins his long-serving defender and assistant manager, Sandy Jardine, in the season's honours list. On Sunday Jardine was voted as the Scottish Football Writers' Player of the Year.

MacDonald can collect another major prize this weekend when his club meet Aberdeen in the Scottish Cup final.

Dundee United's international defender, Richard Gough, has won the Personality Player of the Year award.

● The Middlesbrough defender, Irving Nattrass, has been advised by a specialist to retire because of knee trouble. Nattrass, aged 33, joined Middlesbrough for a record club fee of £475,000 in 1979. With Newcastle United he won England under-23 international honours and played in the 1975 Milk Cup final against Manchester City at Wembley.

TUESDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

SECOND DIVISION: Charlton Athletic 0, Wimbledon 0.
THIRD DIVISION: Notts County 5, Darlington 0; Swansea City 0, Derby County 3; York City 3, Blackpool 0.
FOURTH DIVISION: Colchester 2, Burnley 2.
UEFA CUP FINAL: Second leg: Cologne 2, Real Madrid 0 (Real win 5-3 on aggregate).
SCREEN SPORT SUPER CUP: Semi-final, second leg: Liverpool 3, Norwich City 1 (Liverpool win 4-2 on aggregate).
FREIGHT ROVER TROPHY: Southern final, first leg: Hereford United 2, Bristol City 0. Northern final, first leg: Wigan Athletic 0, Bolton Wanderers 1.
SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION: Albion Rovers 0, Stenhousemuir 1.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Everton 1, Huddersfield 0; Hull 5, West Bromwich Albion 1. Second division: Scunthorpe 3, Coventry 1; Stoke 3, Preston 2.
INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Switzerland 2, Algeria 0.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Crystal Palace 4, Swindon 2; Fulham 0, Brighton 1; Ipswich 4, Millwall 1; Reading 0, West Ham 3.
SWISS LEAGUE: La-Chaux-de Fonds 1, St Gallen 2.
FRENCH LEAGUE: Play-off: Mulhouse 2, Nancy 0 (Nancy win 3-2 on aggregate and stay up).
HARRY SUNDERLAND SHIELD: Semi-final: Greenford 7, BROB Barnet 0.

RACING

Smart Shadari set for triumphant return in Ormonde Stakes

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Shardari, the good four-year-old that Michael Stoute trains for the Aga Khan, looks poised to pick up the Ormonde EBF Stakes at Chester today on his seasonal debut.

Although he has not run since last autumn, fitness should not be a problem as he won first time out at Sandown last year by ten lengths. Later in the season he went on to record two more resounding triumphs in much better races.

After losing the Great Voltigeur Stakes on a disqualification, Shardari gained just compensation at Ascot where he won the Cumberland Lodge Stakes by six lengths. Then on his final appearance, at Newbury, he was even more impressive, winning the St Simon Stakes by 15 lengths.

Today the hard core of his opposition comprises Lemhill, Eagling and Gold and Ivory, the three who dominated the finish of the John Porter Stakes at Newbury last month, Rising, the Irish challenger, and Range Rover, who began last season in such style by winning the Grosvenor Stakes at this meeting.

I saw Range Rover go really well in an early-morning gallop on Newmarket Heath last week, but unlike Lemhill he will not appreciate any more rain.

His owner, Lord Derby's best chance of a second success at the meeting, following Old Domesday Book's good win on Tuesday, lies with High Tension, who is my nap to win the Eaton Handicap.

After High Tension had worked really well on the Round gallop on the Limekilns last Friday his trainer, Gavin Pritchard-Gordon, said "I think that you will find that he is a much improved horse this season."

If this is the case, there is every chance to suppose that High Tension is well in today's race with 8st 6lb to carry. My nap certainly improved as last season progressed and was a bit unlucky to lose a similar race to today's, at Newbury on a disqualification. After that he ran well at Doncaster to finish fourth in the November Handicap.

Anyone who was at Bath ten days ago and watched Plaid spin round that sharp course like a top when winning the Somerset Stakes by five lengths will have no qualms about his ability to rail around Chester's tight left-handed turns.

But with the best will in the world it is hard to envisage him giving even 4lb to Steve Cauthen's mount, Faraway Dancer, who must be the day's short priced banker.

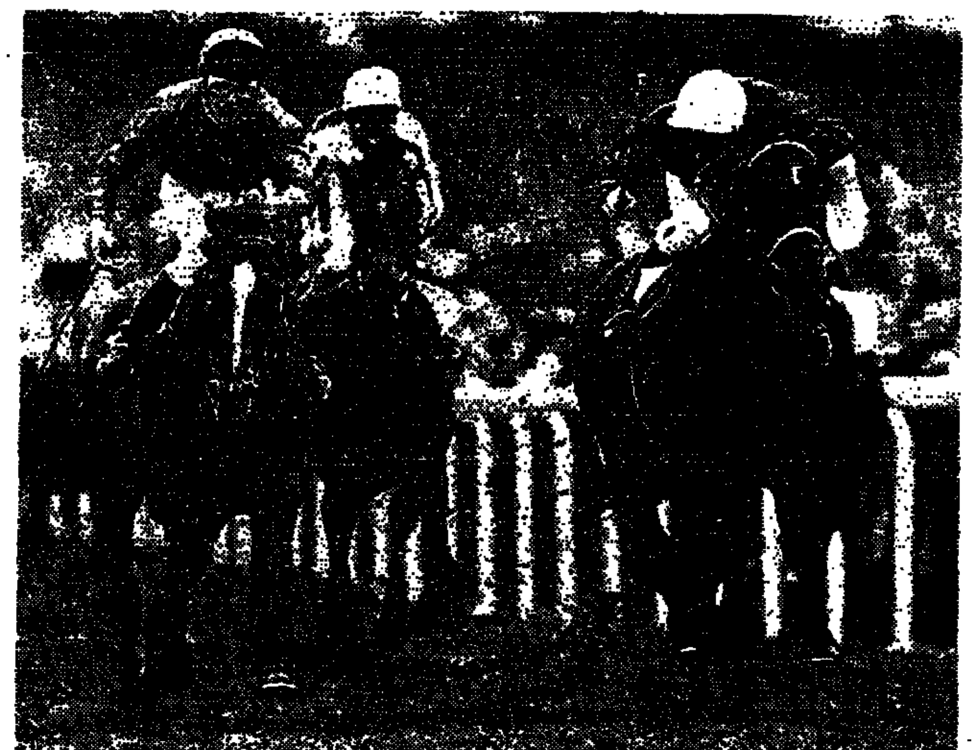
First time out this season Faraway Dancer finished second in the Craven Stakes at Newmarket, one length behind Dancing Brave and half a length in front of his stable companion Mashkour. In the meantime Dancing Brave has won the 2,000 and Mashkour the White Rose Stakes at Ascot. So the form looks gilt edged.

It is also pertinent to point out that when he won the Haydock Dream Mile last October Faraway Dancer had Plaid five lengths behind in second place.

My mole at Manton reports that Cauthen will also win the EBF Sceptre Maiden Fillies' Stakes on Veryan Bay, who is expected to become Michael Dickinson's first winner on the Flat for Robert Sangster. By that top class two-year-old Storm Bird, out of the fast mare Queen of Cornwall, Veryan Bay certainly has plenty of fast blood in her veins. And I am led to believe that her homework has lived up to that pedigree.

Perion, a decisive winner at Doncaster on Monday and at Epsom before that, is after a quick treble in the Oulton Handicap. With his weight increased by just a 7lb penalty, he will be far better in today than in the future when the handicapper has had the opportunity to reassess him. His improvement has been brought about by being hobdayed.

At Salisbury Wabarah, who is a half-sister to that fast filly Labista by Shirley Heights, is expected to continue her trainer Harry Thomson Jones' good recent run with two-year-olds by winning the Redenham Maiden Fillies' Stakes.



Western Dancer (right) holding Pearl Run's late Chester Cup challenge

Cook steps out for third Cup

Western Dancer provided Paul Cook with his third Chester Cup success yesterday when he landed the five-year-old a game short-head winner from Pearl Run, on whom Philip Robinson put up 5lb overweight. The pair finished three lengths clear of Withy Bank, with the favourite, High Plains, back in ninth place.

"It was one of the roughest races I have ridden in this season, but I suppose that was to be expected with 22 runners. I know Western Dancer would get the extended two and a quarter miles on this track, but I don't know about any other course. He battled really courageously to hold off Pearl Run," said Cook, whose previous victories in the race were Credo, while he was still an apprentice in 1964, and Mahbub Aly three years later.

Philip Robinson, whom trainer Gordon Price put up in preference to an apprentice because of his experience, said: "I was taken back by beaten horses in the straight."

Price said: "We don't regret the 5lb overweight that Philip put up. He has ridden for us before, and we expecially wanted an experienced professional.

Western Dancer trained by Con Horgan, who was at Salisbury, has four owners, including Leslie Spencer a director of Hills. The gelding has now won two big bookmaker- sponsored races, the Tote Ebor Handicap last August, and the Chester Cup, now sponsored by Ladbrokes. Spencer said: "Western Dancer's next target is the Queens Vase.

Dick Hern, the West Ilsley trainer, served notice that his horses are beginning to find their form after a slow start to the season by celebrating his first success this term when his progressive filly Salchow beat the Aga Khan's Altiyna by two lengths in the Cheshire Oaks. The Henry Cecil representative, Lucayan Princess, was a neck away third.

Kais Al-Said and Yasser Idliby, owners of the beaten favourite One Liner in the opening Red Dragon Maiden Stakes, also provided the favourite, Comme L'Etoile, for the Cheshire Regiment Handicap. This time they were successful with the Jeremy Hindley-trained colt romping home to a five lengths victory.

Michael Hills, on Comme L'Etoile, never let pacemaking Mileometer get far away, and with just over half a mile to cover, went to the front on the top weight. Comme L'Etoile was chased into the straight by Rockall, but was drawing further away all the time.

The FA Cup finalists and League winners Liverpool had something else to celebrate when club director Syd Reakes's colt Flaxley beat the strong favourite One Liner in the opener.

Harrington appeal sad news for Barton

The result of the Newton Williams Handicap Chase, run at Hereford on Easter Monday, was changed for a second time yesterday after the jockey Mark Harrington won his objection against the winner, Castle Warden.

Play the Knave, Harrington's mount, was originally declared the winner of the £2,500 race from the even money favourite Castle Warden. But 40 minutes later, after bets were settled and the jockeys had weighed in, the judge Peter Roffe-Silvester reinspected the photo-finish print, admitted he had given the wrong result, and reversed the first two placings.

Harrington argued that had be known his horse was second rather than first, he would have lodged an objection against Castle Warden for interference after the last fence.

Yesterday, Harrington took his case to the Jockey Club headquarters at Portman Square, and, after a hearing lasting an hour, was told that the Peter Bailey-trained horse would be given the race. The disciplinary committee also took the view that Paul Barton, the jockey of Castle Warden, was guilty of careless riding, and suspended him for four days from today.

Harrington, for whom the outcome was an additional cause to celebrate his 25th birthday, said: "I'm very pleased at the decision. It's just unfortunate it wasn't sorted out on the day." Mr Roffe-Silvester has since resigned from the Jockey Club's panel of judges.

In a separate inquiry, Model Lady, the winner of the Bourne Leisure Group National Hunt Flat Race at Southwell on March 29, was disqualified after her jockey, Trevor Williams, was found to have claimed a 7lb allowance to which he was not entitled, being 25 years of age.

TENNIS

Rain keeps Lendl and Lloyd waiting

New York – Heavy rain halted the final first-round match in the Tournament of Champions after the top-seed, Ivan Lendl, had raced to a 6-3, 2-2 lead over Italy's Francesco Cancellotti.

The match was to be completed yesterday with the winner returning to face Britain's John Lloyd in the second round at the West Side Tennis Club.

Lloyd, who is ranked fortieth, rallied from a 0-3 deficit in the second set to beat the American, Tom Warneke, a qualifier, 6-4, 6-4. "I'm playing reasonably well," said Lloyd. "I'm gearing up my game for Wimbledon, where I always play my best."

Achieving first-round victories before the rain were the second seed, Boris Becker, of West Germany, who beat Spain's Juan Aguilera 6-2, 6-4, and the third seed, Joakim Nystrom, of Sweden, who defeated Larry Stefanki, of the United States, 6-2, 6-2.

Other successful seeds were Yannick Noah, of France, Brad Gilbert, of the United States, Thierry Tulasne, of France, Andres Gomez, of Ecuador, Jimmy Arias, of the United States and Andreas Maurer, of West Germany.

Giant task too big for Felgate

Jonathan Southcombe, a 6ft 7in, 20-year-old from Torquay, claimed his 15th British victim in a six-week spell, when he beat the Essex player, David Felgate, in the opening round of the Lawn Tennis Association's Spring Circuit tournament at Bournemouth yesterday.

Southcombe, who has spent the last three years in France – "at least I can make some money there" – reached the second round with a 6-2, 6-7, 7-6 win after Felgate, the British No. 11, and a member of the European Cup team earlier this year, had missed a match point at 6-5 in the final set.

Southcombe might have won the match before it was stopped on the centre court because of bad light on Tuesday night. Having coasted through the first set, he served for a 5-2 lead in the second before making mistakes which enabled the 22-year-old Felgate to scramble back.

MEN'S SINGLES: First round: J Southcombe (Devon) bt D Felgate (Essex), 6-2, 6-7 7-6. Second round: T Pham (Fr) bt R Whichelo (Kent), 6-2, 6-2; D Engel (Swe) bt J Doner (Swe), 6-0, 6-1; D Maasdorp (SA) bt L Courteau (Fr), 6-2, 6-4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: First round: P Teserova (Cz) bt L Gould (Essex), 6-1, 6-2; A Bjork (Swe) bt A Karlsson (Swe), 6-2, 7-5; M Bajcakova (Cz) bt Y Brazakova (Cz) 6-2, 6-1. Second round: N Etchemendy (Fr) bt R Rajchrtova (Cz), 7-6, 6-2; N Zvereva (USSR) bt L Meskhi (USSR), 6-3, 6-2; A Tiezzi (Arg) bt N Bykova (Cz), 6-3, 6-1.

90 and still going strong

Kathleen Godfree celebrated her 90th birthday yesterday as guest of honour at a luncheon given by the All England Tennis Club at Wimbledon. Known as Biddy to close friends and Kitty by an admiring public of the 1920s and '30s, she was the finest woman all-round games' player in her prime.

She not only remains the oldest Wimbledon singles champion of 1924 and 1926, but won the All England badminton title in 1920, 21, 22, and 24, was a lacrosse international and gained an ice skating medal at the age of 10. But as remarkable as anything was her feat as a nine-year-old when she bicycled with her mother, father, sister and governess from London to Berlin in 1905, a mere matter of 600 miles.

CHESTER

Going: good to soft
Draw: low numbers best

2.15 EBF SCEPTRE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,059: 5f) (6 runners)

103 CITY FINAL (Mrs P Tattwright) R Hollinshead 8-11 — 2
104 2 DOMINO ROSE (Kiloran Civil Eng Ltd) N Tinkler 8-11 T Ives 6
107 22 MISS SHEGAS (J Taylor Studehill Ltd) J Berry 8-11 W Carson 4
108 0 SAUCIER (E Jones Eastbourne) W Brooks 8-11 B Thomson 1
109 0 SILVERS ERA (J Cressell) N Callaghan 8-11 Pat Eddery 3
110 VERYAN BAY (USA) (R Sangster) M W Dickinson 8-11 S Cauthen 5

Evens Veryan Bay, 2-1 Domino Rose, 9-2 Miss Shegas, 12-1 Silvers Era, 16-1 City Final, 20-1 Saucier.

Chester selections

By Mandarin

2 15 Veryan Bay. 2 45 HIGH TENSION (nap). 3 15 Shardari. 3 45 Faraway Dancer. 4 15 Perion. 4 45 My Kind of Town.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Silvers Era. 2.45 High Tension. 3.15 Shardari. 3.45 Faraway Dancer. 4.15 Music Machine. 4.45 My Kind Of Town.

By Michael Seely

2.45 High Tension. 3.15 Shadari. 4.15 PERION (nap).

2.45 EATON HANDICAP (£3,895: 1m 4f 65yd) (12)

201 41140-0 STATELY FORM (Mrs M Niarchos) J Tree 4-9-10 Pat Eddery 5
202 3/30100- VOUCHSAFE (Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) W Hern 4-9-8 W Carson 12
203 000-000 PETRIZZO (C) (C Elliott) C Britain 5-9-1 — 2
204 1400- STANDARD BREAKFAST (A Clore) B Hills 4-8-12 B Thomson 1
205 40040-2 PAGAN SUN (T Ramsden) A Bailey 5-8-9 — 4
206 120004- HIGH TENSION (Lord Derby) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-8-6 G Duffield 7
207 02200-1 COLONEL JAMES (D O'Callaghan) Mrs S Oliver 4-8-6 R Cochrane 8
209 00-2133 RECORD WING (C-D) (Mrs P Long) D Haydn Jones 8-8-4 D Williams (7) 6
210 3030-12 SILENT JOURNEY (BF) (R Sangster) J W Watts 4-8-2 (6ex) N Connorton 10
211 02000-3 BOLLIN PALACE (N Westbrook) M H Easterby 4-7-13 N Carlisle 11
212 00-3020 REGAL STEEL (Steel Plate) R Hollinshead 8-7-7 — 3
215 00-0324 SKYBOOT (Mrs B Robinson) E Carter 7-7-7 L Riggio (7) 9

7-2 Pagan Sun, 4-1 Silent Journey, 5-1 Bollin Palace, 13-2 Stately Form, 7-1 Colonel James, 10-1 High Tension, Record Wing, 12-1 others.

FORM: STATELY FORM behind on reappearance, best effort last year (9-4) a 2 1/2L Kempton win from Bold Rex (9-2) (1m 3f, £2622, good, Sept 6, 13 ran). VOUCHSAFE (9-0) successful last season when beating Eastern Mystic (9-0) 1/2L at York (1m 4f Mdn, £1798, good to firm, July 13, 6 ran). HIGH TENSION (7-11) on final start last season finished 6 1/4L 4th to Bold Rex (8-7) at Doncaster (1m 4f), with REGAL STEEL (7-7) unplaced. Previously HIGH TENSION (8-5) disqualified and placed 4th after beating Gepard (8-4) a head at Newbury (1m 5f, £3355, good, Oct 24, 11 ran). COLONEL JAMES (9-5) ran on well to beat Jack's Luck (9-5) 3/4L at Beverley (1m 4f, £1556, soft, Apr 12, 16 ran). RECORD WING (7-12) last successful when comfortably accounting for Mr Gardiner (8-3) by 10L at Warwick (1m 4f Hcap, £2388, soft, Apr 1, 13 ran). SILENT JOURNEY (9-5) a neck 2nd to Memagi (8-5) with BOLLIN PALACE (9-4) 1/2L back in 3rd, SKYBOOT (8-1) another 3L away in 4th and REGAL STEEL (8-4) a further 3 1/4L back in 6th at Thirsk (1m 4f Hcap, £2351, soft, Apr 25, 20 ran). On most recent start REGAL STEEL (7-5) a neck 2nd to Wildrush (7-10) at Thirsk (1m 4f h'cap, £2582, good to soft, Apr 19, 11 ran).
Selection: HIGH TENSION

3.15 ORMONDE EBF STAKES (Group III: £24,514: 1m 5f 89yd) (9)

302 0120-3 GOLD AND IVORY (B)(BF) (P Mellon) I Balding 5-9-4 Pat Eddery 7
304 D232-1 LEMHILL (S Hinton) M Blanshard 4-9-0 R Cochrane 1
306 112011- SHARDARI (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 4-9-0 W R Swinburn 3
307 4000-10 BRUNICO (T Ramsden) R Simpson 4-8-10 — 4
308 4023-00 CHAUMIERE (B) (C Booth) R J Williams 5-8-10 T Ives 6
309 11310-2 EAGLING (Lady H de Walden) H Cecil 4-8-10 S Cauthen 5
310 240-011 MILTON BURN (A Richards) H O'Neill 5-8-10 S Dawson 9
312 0/13041- RANGE ROVER (C) (Lord Derby) J Winter 4-8-10 W Carson 8
313 03300-1 RISING (Lord Iveagh) K Prendergast (Ire) 4-8-10 — 2

5-2 Shardari, 11-4 Lemhill, 7-2 Eagling, 11-2 Gold And Ivory, 8-1 Rising, 14-1 Range Rover, 20-1 Chaumiere, 25-1 others.

FORM: LEMHILL (8-8) beat EAGLING (8-8) 3/4L in Newbury's John Porter Stakes, GOLD AND IVORY (9-0) 5L back in 3rd and CHAUMIERE (8-8) 10 3/4L away 5th of 8 (1m 4f Group 3, £25540, soft, Apr 10). Last year GOLD AND IVORY (9-7) beaten 1/2L at Cologne by Arc de Triomphe 4th Sumayr (8-11) 8 ran. Group 1, £83859, good, Sept 22, 11 ran). SHARDARI (8-10) impressive 15L winner from Free Guest (9-3) at Newbury. CHAUMIERE (9-0) 5L away 3rd and EAGLING (9-7) 7th of 8 (1m 4f Group 3, £15940, good, Oct 26). RANGE ROVER (9-4) beat Mariella (9-1) 1/2L at Goodwood (1m 6f, £2469, good to firm, Oct 1, 4 ran). RISING (9-7) beat Dark Raven (9-7) 1L in Curragh Listed event (1m 2f, £8996, good to soft, 26 Apr, 4 ran).
Selection: SHARDARI

3.45 DEE STAKES (3-Y-O: £16,960: 1m 2f 85yd) (6)

402 100 JANISKI (B) (Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) W Hern 9-2 W Carson 2
403 132-31 PLAID (A Oldrey) P Walwyn 9-2 Paul Eddery 6
405 112-0 EVE'S ERROR (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-12 W R Swinburn 1
406 111-2 FARAWAY DANCER (USA) (P Burrell) H Cecil 8-12 S Cauthen 5
408 31221- ORIENTAL SOLDIER (USA) (Sheik Mohammed) B Hills 8-12 B Thomson 4
412 6222-1 TOP GUEST (E Moller) G Wragg 8-12 Pat Eddery 3

8-11 Faraway Dancer, 5-1 Plaid, 11-2 Eve's Error, 10-1 Oriental Soldier, 12-1 Top Guest, 16-1 Janiski.

FORM: JANISKI 8th in Horris Hill, earlier (8-7) beat Danishgar (8-7) 1/2L at Doncaster (7f, £7272, good, Sep 11, 14 ran). PLAID (8-13) beat Gorgeous Strike (8-13) 5L at Bath (1m 2f, £4104, good, Apr 29, 6 ran). Previously (9-1) 3 1/2L Newmarket 3rd to Flying Trio (9-4) (1m 1f, £9788, soft, Apr 17, 11 ran). FARAWAY DANCER (8-7) 1L Craven Stakes runner-up to Guinness winner Dancing Brave (8-7) with EVE'S ERROR (8-7) 8 1/2L 5th of 11 (8f Group 3, £15400, soft, Apr 17). Last year EVE'S ERROR (9-0) 2 1/1L Curragh runner-up to Flash Of Steel (8f Group 2, £17329, good to soft, 8 ran). ORIENTAL SOLDIER (8-13) 10 3/4L 6th of 10 behind Splendid Moment (8-9) in French Group 3, previously (9-0) short head winner from Family Friend (9-2) at Salisbury (7f, £4994, soft, Aug 15, 9 ran). TOP GUEST (9-0) beat Bananas (9-0) 3L at Beverley (1m 2f mdn, £1409, soft, Apr 12, 15 ran).
Selection: FARAWAY DANCER

4.15 OULTON HANDICAP (£3,915: 5f) (8)

502 200-201 BRIDGE STREET LADY (D) (M Wilkins) J Bosley 5-10-0 Pat Eddery 7
504 0030-04 DUCK FLIGHT (C-D) (R Dunsdon) J Douglas-Home 4-9-7 S Cauthen 5
505 006-000 PHILIP (B) (D) (D Marley) N Tinkler 4-9-5 L Charnock 1
508 00-1911 PERION (D) (J Wheatland) G Lewis 4-9-2 P Waldron 6
509 0322-00 DERRY RIVER (B) (D) (Mrs N Dutfield) L Cottrell 5-8-11 N Carlisle 8
511 4010-04 MUSIC MACHINE (D) (D Thompson) P Haslam 5-8-8 T Williams 3
515 009000- LITTLE STARCHY (D) (T Stafford) R Simpson 8-8-1 — 4
517 002906- LITTLE BORI (D) (W Owen) L Barratt 4-7-7 — 2

2-1 Perion, 4-1 Bridge Street Lady, 5-1 Duck Flight, 6-1 Music Machine, 8-1 Derry River, 10-1 Philip, 12-1 Little Starchy, 20-1 Little Bori.

FORM: BRIDGE STREET LADY (9-3) well drawn when a 6L Sandown winner from Escee Tree (7-11). DUCK FLIGHT (9-2) staying on 1 1/2L back in 4th (5f, £3896, soft, Apr 26, 10 ran). Last year DUCK FLIGHT (8-9) 2L 3rd to Chaplin's Club (8-12) at York with PHILIP (8-8) 14th (5f, £4305, good to soft, 9 Oct, 15 ran). PERION (9-1) beat Bollin Emily (9-10) 1 1/2L at Doncaster on Monday, PHILIP (9-8) 7L away 8th of 11 (5f, £3811, good). Previously PERION (7-13) beat Clantime (8-11) 2 1/2L at Epsom, MUSIC MACHINE (7-9) 2 1/4L away 4th and DERRY RIVER (7-12) 6 1/2L away 6th (5f, £3792, heavy, Apr 23, 9 ran). Last year DERRY RIVER (7-7) 2L Newbury runner-up to Broadwater Music (8-0) (5f, £5244, good, Oct 24, 18 ran).
Selection: PERION

4.45 LADBROKE HOTELS HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,980: 7f) (9)

602 100200- HARAABAH (USA) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-7 R Hills 7
603 2301-4 DOGMATIC (B) (D) (A Samuel) R Johnson Houghton 9-6 S Cauthen 2
604 2311- TOPPESHAMME (USA)(D) (Lady H de Walden) E Weymes 9-5 E Guest (3) 9
606 23021-9 ROMANTIC UNCLE (P Cockcroft) H Wharton 8-10 J H Brown (5) 3
607 1300-00 HYMN OF HARLECH (A Anderson) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-10 G Duffield 1
609 11 MY KIND OF TOWN (D) (A Rudolf) R J Williams 8-7 T Ives 4
613 030-121 EXAMINATION (B) (T Ramsden) A Bailey 8-6 G Carter (3) 6
614 3101-40 DANCING TOM (BF) (J Turney) T Fairhurst 8-0 M Beecroft 8
615 603-032 AUCTION MAN (Mrs B Gittins) R Hollinshead 7-12 — 5

5-2 My Kind Of Town, 7-2 Examination, 4-1 Dogmatic, 11-2 Toppeshamme, 8-1 Auction Man, 10-1 Romantic Uncle, 12-1 others.

FORM: DOGMATIC (8-7) 6 1/2L 4th to Gorgeous Algernon (8-13) at Brighton, last season (9-1) beat Below Zero (7-12) a neck at Doncaster (7f, £4480, good, Oct 26, 16 ran). TOPPESHAMME (8-8) beat Buck Rose (8-8) 2 1/2L at Haydock (7f, £2421, soft, Oct 17, 9 ran). ROMANTIC UNCLE behind on reappearance, finished 1985 by (9-5) beating Almarose (8-5) 2L at Haydock (6f, £4780, good to soft, Oct 5, 13 ran). HYMN OF HARLECH (8-8) good 7th to Digger's Rest (9-2) at Newmarket (7f, £5085, good to soft, Apr 15, 17 ran). MY KIND OF TOWN (9-12) beat Unex-Plained (8-11) 1 1/2L at Warwick (6f Appce H'cap, £1184, good to soft, Apr 28, 17 ran). EXAMINATION (9-7) beat Hail And Hearty (8-12) 2L at Brighton (6f, £2777, good to soft, Apr 28, 18 ran). AUCTION MAN (9-0) just caught and beaten a short head by Heavy Brigade (9-0) at Thirsk (6f Mdn, £2656, good to soft, Apr 19, 17 ran).
Selection: MY KIND OF TOWN

SALISBURY

Going: soft
Draw: high numbers best, low may be favoured on soft

1.30 WINCANTON MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-Y-O: £2,364: 1m 2f) (14 runners)

4 04- ASSEMBLY W Hern 9-0 B Procter 6
13 04- DEMON FATE (USA) F Durr 9-0 G Baxter 13
15 04-0 EATON SQUARE P Walwyn 9-0 — 4
31 3- MTOTO A Stewart 9-0 M Roberts 1
32 00-0 NOBLE VIKING S Mellor 9-0 M Wigham 14
33 0 PEGMARINE (USA) M Jarvis 9-0 W Woods (3) 8
37 ROUBAYD R Johnson-Houghton 9-0 J Reid 7
39 0- RUSSKI K Cunningham-Brown 9-0 T Quinn 2
41 SLANGI VAH (USA) H Candy 9-0 R Curant 9
44 0- TABACOS D Elsworth 9-0 A McGlone 3
46 ALCEBA (GER) C Auston 8-11 C Rutter (5) 5
47 0 ASHFORD LASS P Burgoyne 8-11 S Keightley 12
51 FLEETING AFFAIR G Harwood 8-11 G Starkey 10
53 KRISWICK J Dunlop 8-11 B Rouse 11

13-8 Fleeting Affair, 100-30 Kriswick, 4-1 Assembly, 8-1 Slangi Vah, 10-1 Eaton Square, 12-1 Mtoto, 16-1 Roubayd, 20-1 others.

Salisbury selections

By Mandarin

1 30 Mtoto. 2 0 Problem Child. 2 30 Formatune. 3 0 Wabarah. 3 30 Sparsholt. 4 0 Benisa Ryder. 4 30 Folk Dance. 5 0 Bushido.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Mtoto. 2.30 Kampglow. 3.0 Wabarah. 3.30 Revelina. 4.0 Tonquin. 5.0 Zaajer.

2.0 DORSET HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,664: 1m) (18)

1 00-0 ON TO GLORY J Dunlop 9-7 G Baxter 6
5 0-40 GEORGES QUAY R Hannon 9-1 A McGlone 5
7 03-3 PROBLEM CHILD R V Smyth 8-12 C Rutter (5) 11
8 130- MERRYMOLES (C) M McCourt 8-12 R Wernham 3
9 0-00 HACHIMITSU S Mellor 8-12 R Fox 2
10 0-00 BRENT RIVERSIDE G Balding 8-12 J Williams 4
11 00-0 MARKELIUS M Haynes 8-11 G Starkey 18
14 010- BALNACRAIG J Douglas-Home 8-9 J Matthias 10
15 048- NO STOPPING R Hannon 8-9 R Perham (7) 12
15 00-0 STANFORD VALE C Nelson 8-8 J Reid 7
18 -000 EASTERN PLAYER D Laing 8-8 S Whitworth 1
19 04-0 WHIRLING WORDS P Makin 8-8 T Quinn 13
20 001- AVENTINO J Sutcliffe 8-6 B Crossley 8
22 000- CRACON GIRL J Bosley 8-6 I Johnson 16
24 00-0 NO JAZZ C Benstead 8-5 B Rouse 17
25 00-0 FIREPROOF D Marks 8-4 A Clark 15
26 -103 COSMIC FLIGHT M Usher 8-4 M Wigham 9
29 000- CSILLAG P Bailey 8-3 N Howe 14

11-4 Aventino, 7-2 Merrymoles, 5-1 Stanford Vale, 6-1 On To Glory, 8-1 Fireproof, 10-1 Cosmic Flight, 12-1 Markelius, 14-1 others.

2.30 STOCKBRIDGE HANDICAP (£2,977: 7f) (20)

1 200- HABS LAD (C-D) D Laing 4-10-0 R Guest 3
3 44-0 HELLO SUNSHINE (D) L Holt 7-9-4 A Haynes (7) 20
4 300- FAIR COUNTRY (D) D Elsworth 4-9-3 A McGlone 16
7 0300 KAMPGLOW D Thom 4-8-13 T Quinn 14
8 020- APRIL FOOL L Cottrell 4-8-13 T Lang (7) 13
9 000- CRIMBOURNE M Blanshard 4-8-12 B Rouse 1
10 0114 SINGLE (D)(BF) W Wightman 4-8-12 D McKay 11
11 4-00 HIGH PITCHED (D) M Haynes 7-8-10 P Cook 4
12 3-10 FORMATUNE (B) D Arbuthnot 4-8-10 J Reid 12
13 00-4 EVERY EFFORT R Holder 4-8-9 G Starkey 8
16 0-00 DOLLY A Moore 4-8-7 M Wigham 7
18 /00- SANDBOURNE J Spearing 4-8-6 J Williams 17
19 000- NICKY NICK M Usher 5-8-5 N Day 6
23 /000 KAVAKA R Hannon 4-8-4 R Fox 18
24 0-00 PEANDAY (D) H Beasley 5-8-4 — 2
26 000- JABARABA (USA)(D) L Cottrell 5-8-2 M Hills 5
28 -430 HOPEFUL KATIE (B) D Leslie 4-7-13 N Adams 15
29 0-00 SUPERFROST J Fox 4-7-10 B Crossley 9
31 30-0 PAMELA HEANEY (D) H Beasley 4-7-8R Morse (5) 19
32 000- SILENT GAIN (USA) W Jarvis 4-7-8 M Thomas 10

4-1 Single, 5-1 Hello Sunshine, 6-1 Fair Country, 7-1 Every Effort, 8-1 Kampglow, Formatune, 10-1 Dolly, 12-1 Hopeful Katie, 14-1 Habs Lad, 16-1 others.

3.0 REDENHAM MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £536: 5f) (10)

1 BALLANTRAE R Voorspuy 8-11 D Brown 4
2 2 BLUE TANGO D Laing 8-11 S Whitworth 10
3 0 DOWNSVIEW LADY A Moore 8-11 M Wigham 7
7 JANS CONTESSA R Boss 8-11 M Miller 2
8 JOSIE SMITH P Cole 8-11 T Quinn 9
9 MA PETITE LASSIE M E Francis 8-11 J Reid 6
11 MY ISABEL R Hannon 8-11 A McGlone 5
12 PHOEBE C Wildman 8-11 J Williams 8
15 WABARAH H Thomson Jones 8-11 A Murray 3
16 YAVARRO D Laing 8-11 — 1

9-4 Blue Tango, 7-2 My Isabel, 4-1 Wabarah, 11-2 Ma Petite Lassie, 8-1 Josie Smith, 12-1 Downsview Lady, 16-1 others.

3.30 EDDIE REAVEY MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (£1,014: 5f) (11)

3 BIOTIN P Haynes 8-4 N Howe 11
5 0 GREY WOLF TIGER R Hannon 8-4 L Jones (5) 2
6 HIGHFALUTIN LYMEY R Hannon 8-4 R Wernham 8
7 002 SARASOTA A J Pitt 8-4 B Rouse 7
8 3 SPARSHOLT P Cole 8-4 K Powdrell 10
9 0 SUTTERS MILL R Boss 8-4 M Miller 1
11 00 BETTA WIN (B) J Bridger 8-1 — 6
16 4 PREMIUM GOLD K Cunningham-Brown 8-1A McGlone 5
17 003 REVELINA D Thom 8-1 M L Thomas 9
19 0 SANTO PRINCESS M Featherstone-Godley 8-1 M Hills 4
21 SNAPSHOT BABY R Voorspuy 8-1 D Brown 3

5-2 Sparsholt, 100-30 Premium Gold, 9-2 Revelina, 6-1 Grey Wolf Tiger, 8-1 Sarasota, 14-1 Highfalutin Lymey, 20-1 others.

4.0 WINCANTON MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-Y-O: £2,364: 1m 2f) (14)

5 00-3 AUTUMN FLUTTER R Hannon 9-0 L Jones (5) 4
6 3-22 BENISA RYDER (BF) C Horgan 9-0 P Cook 7
8 0- BILLET H Candy 9-0 R Curant 5
10 3- COINAGE R Johnson-Hougnton 9-0 J Reid 11
18 FRITHIOF G Harwood 9-0 G Starkey 9
19 0- FULL SPEED AHEAD R Smyly 9-0 P Robinson 8
20 200- GANOON (USA) P Cole 9-0 T Quinn 6
22 00- HOME OR AWAY D Elsworth 9-0 A McGlone 12
24 44 KING'S CRUSADE G Lewis 9-0 G Sexton 3
26 3-3 MAKE PEACE I Balding 9-0 J Matthias 14
28 4- MOON MADNESS J Dunlop 9-0 B Rouse 10
30 000- MR SAVVAS J Douglas-Home 9-0 G Baxter 2
52 00- GRATIFY P Walwyn 8-11 N Howe 13
60 TONQUIN J Toller 8-11 N Day 1

7-2 Moon Madness, 4-1 Coinage, 9-2 Frithiof, 6-1 Ganoon, 8-1 Autumn Flutter, Benisa Ryder, Make Peace, 10-1 King's Crusade, 12-1 Billet, 16-1 others.

4.30 CITY BOWL HANDICAP (£2,750: 1m 6f) (11)

1 41-4 FOLK DANCE I Balding 4-9-10 J Matthias 9
4 -108 INTUITION (D) M Usher 4-8-11 — 1
6 00-0 MASTER FRANCIS M Blanshard 4-8-6 N Adams 4
7 8-03 SUGAR PALM (B) R Hannon 5-8-4 B Rouse 3
10 0-00 COLLISTO (D) K Brassey 5-8-3 S Whitworth 11
11 1/00- NOSTER PUER (USA) D Elsworth 6-8-0Janice Coyle (7) 7
13 30-0 WILD GINGER (B) D Oughton 4-7-13 B Crossley 5
14 00-0 INCHGOWER (C) W Wightman 9-7-8 M L Thomas 2
15 -144 BRIGADIER JACQUES C Austin 5-7-7 C Rutter (5) 6
16 -000 MY CHARADE (B) Mrs B Waring 5-7-7 R Fox 8
19 00-0 CAWARRA BELLE (B) C James 5-7-7 J Carter (7) 10

9-4 Folk Dance, 7-2 Brigadier Jacques, 4-1 Intuition, 9-2 Sugar Palm, 8-1 Master Francis, Wild Ginger, 10-1 Inchgower, Noster Puer, 16-1 others.

5.0 WINCANTON MAIDEN STAKES (Div III: 3-Y-O: £2,364: 1m 2f) (14)

7 31-0 BERNIGRA BOY M Haynes 9-0 — 7
9 BUSHIDO G Harwood 9-0 G Starkey 5
11 0 COLEMAN HAWKINS P Makin 9-0 T Quinn 13
12 0- DANRIBO L Cottrell 9-0 M Hills 10
14 030- DIWAAN P Walwyn 9-0 N Howe 6
17 2- FLORAL CHARGE R Johnson-Houghton 9-0 J Reid 9
21 00-0 GAY CARUSO K Brassey 9-0 T Lucas 12
23 HOTU (USA) J Dunlop 9-0 R Fox 1
29 002- MOURADABIA D Elsworth 9-0 A McGlone 4
45 ZAAJER J Dunlop 9-0 B Rouse 11
48 BROKEN WAVE H Candy 8-11 R Curant 3
55 0- MA FEATHERS R Smyly 8-11 P Robinson 14
59 000- THEREAFTER W Wightman 8-11 D McKay 8
62 00- VITRY C James 8-11 J Bleasdale 2

3-1 Floral Charge, 7-2 Bushido, 11-2 Diwaan, 6-1 Mouradabia, 8-1 Zaajer, 10-1 Broken Wave, Hotu, 16-1 others.

SEDGEFIELD

Going: good to soft

5.45 FISHBURN CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£676: 2m 4f) (14 runners)

3 -000 FELIXSTOWE LAD (C) J Johnson 7-11-8 —
4 SP/P BARLEY BRAKE R Barr 10-11-7 C Dennis
5 00-0 ROYAL OPPORTUNITY (B)(C-D) R Dods 6-11-2 P Niven
7 0800 STAR EVENT J Parkes 5-11-0 R Balfour
9 003F ATHENS STAR (B)(D) J Bradley 11-10-13 C Cowley
11 0088 HYDE I Anderson 9-10-11 —
12 200P GRANGEHILL (D) Miss G Rees 11-10-11 Jayne Thompson
13 2F08 MOSSY CONES (D) W A Stephenson 7-10-10 D Condell
14 2200 SON OF MANADO J Wade 6-10-10 D Kalirai
15 P020 BAVAL (FR) (C-D) (BF) D Yeoman 9-10-10 P A Farrell
16 04-P GOLD FLOOR (D) J Bradley 9-10-7 Sharron James
18 0030 GALTRIM (B)(D) T Bill 7-10-3 C Prince
19 F-PF INDADO R Wilkins 6-10-1 N Carson
23 0PPP CALL-ME-MORLAIS C Hoyle 13-10-0 M Mulligan

5-2 Baval, 3-1 Athens Star, 4-1 Grangehill, 6-1 Son of Manado, 8-1 Star Evedmt, 12-1 others.

Sedgefield selections

By Mandarin

5 45 Baval. 6 15 Bickerstaffe. 6 45 Go On Joe. 7 15 Unscrupulous Judge. 7 45 Mendelita. 8 15 Mirpur.

6.15 STANDEY THOMPSON MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,130: 3m 600yd) (10)

2 1F20 FLYING OATS (USA) (B)(BF) W McGhie 5-11-8 Mr K Anderson (7)
3 3-P3 THREE SHINERS (C) C Parker 10-11-5 Mr L Hudson
5 20-0 RAGABURY (C) R Fisher 6-11-2 M Meagher
6 0013 BICKERSTAFFE (B)(BF) M W Easterby 5-11-1 P Tuck
7 P412 FAIR BAVARD H Wharton 6-10-13 E Youlden (4)
8 0410 WIL-TOT (B) J Norton 9-10-11 Mr S Woods (7)
12 0900 TABRIZ GOLD (C) J Johnson 7-10-5 Mr T Reed
15 0401 BRIGARONA A Scott 5-10-0 (5ex) D Condell (7)
21 P08P SLOANE STREET J Dooler 9-10-0 R Dunwoody
22 0-00 BRIGADIER GREEN C Hoyle 9-10-0 Mr P Avery

11-4 Brigarona, 100-30 Wil-Tot, 5-1 Fair Bavard, 6-1 Bickerstaffe, 8-1 Flying Oats, 10-1 Three Shiners.

6.45 FERGUSON POSTER NOVICE CHASE (£1,272: 2m) (12)

1 000- ABBEY BOY T Barnes 7-11-4 M Barnes
3 0-BF BELLITICO J Charlton 8-11-4 R Earnshaw
4 0P00 CONNECTOR D Yeoman 7-11-4 P A Farrell (4)
5 03U- FORT NELSON W A Stephenson 8-11-4 R Lamb
6 0-04 GO ON JOE J Richardson 12-11-4 P Tuck
7 2201 HARDY RANCH (D) G Moore 7-11-11 M Hammond
8 F03F IMPAGE R Robinson 8-11-4 Mr P Dennis (4)
16 0P/0 GOOD GOING GIRL R Swiers 6-10-13 Mr S Swiers (7)
18 0002 PERFECT IMAGE W Storey 8-10-13 D Telfer (7)
21 -403 PRINCE BUBBLY M Avison 5-10-11 R Balfour (7)
22 004U CHRISETT G Hall 5-10-6 A Orkney (7)
23 0000 JUMBELLINA Miss Z Green 5-10-6 M Meagher

11-10 Hardy Ranch, 4-1 Go On Joe, Perfect Image, 6-1 Impage, 10-1 others.

7.15 SOLMERE HANDICAP CHASE £1,732: 3m 600yds) (11)

2 21F2 UNSCRUPULOUS JUDGE (C-D) W A Stephenson 9-11-13 C Grant
3 4240 CASA KNIPE (BF) D Lee 11-11-6 Mr H Brown (7)
6 40-0 LA BOEUF (C-D) D Lamb 10-11-2 R Lamb
7 0-P0 STRAWHILL (C-D) E Alston 11-11-1 K Doolan
8 0-P0 HAPPY WORKER M W Easterby 11-11-1 P Tuck
9 3313 TAR MIGHT (C-D) M Skinner 9-10-13 R Dunwoody
12 4PPF TWIFLIGHT (C-D) J Charlton 11-10-8 R Earnshaw
13 31P3 ITS A CAPPER (C-D) J R Turner 8-10-4 Mr S Swiers (7)
15 20U1 NEWSTEAD (C-D) W Fairgrieve 8-10-4 (6ex) J Hansen
16 20-3 MUSTAPHA J Hellens 8-10-2 Mr T Reed
19 40FP PURPLE BEAM (C-D) T Barnes 7-10-0 M Barnes

5-2 Unscrupulous Judge, 7-2 Tar Knight, 5-1 Newstead, 6-1 Mustapha, 8-1 Its A Capper, 10-1 Casa Knipe, 12-1 Strawhill.

7.45 A I HANDICAP CHASE (£1,295: 2m 4f) (11)

3 13U4 GOWAN HOUSE (C-D) W A Stephenson 7-11-7 R Lamb
4 2143 MENDELITA (B)(C) P Courage 10-11-5 A Stringer
6 4000 SEA SPLASH (C-D) O Brennan 10-11-4 M Brennan
7 P240 RATHCOLMAN LASS J Johnson 8-11-3 M Pepper
8 1000 SAINT-MURN (B)(C) Mrs D Culham 12-11-0 R Earnshaw
9 00-F RABINSKI J Hellens 11-11-0 Mr T Reed
10 00P3 LEGAL EMPEROR M Naughton 8-10-11 M Hammond
11 1899 ABALIGHT (D) Mrs M Thomas 8-10-10 C Mann
12 B-00 EDWARD'S CORNER (C) J Dooler 8-10-10 R Dunwoody
14 F44U TUMBLE JIM T Cunningham 7-10-6 Mr S Cunningham (7)
18 3012 SHOOLER PRINCE F Watson 9-10-0 G Harker (4)

13-8 Shooler Prince, 100-30 Gowan House, 4-1 Mendelita, 6-1 Sea Splash, 8-1 Tumble Jim, 12-1 Legal Emperor.

8.15 SEEDLING NOVICE HURDLE (£932: 2m 4f) (18)

2 0P01 DOUGHTY REBEL A Scott 5-11-5 D Condell (7)
3 0033 FROSTY TOUCH Mrs E Slack 8-11-5 R Earnshaw
5 2140 JACK OF CLUBS (D) (BF) B McLean 6-11-5 —
6 0120 SHELMORE BOY (C-D) Mrs J Barr 6-11-5 Mr T D Smith (7)
14 0- CASTLE TRACK E Alston 5-11-0 M Alston (7)
16 0PPF FLITTERVILLE (B) R Peacock 7-11-0 —
19 60 PANAVISTA W A Stephenson 8-11-0 R Lamb
24 P-04 RAMPANT R Barr 7-11-0 —
25 -000 RITAS LOVE Denys Smith 5-11-0 C Grant
27 000 SPRINGVALE BID R Fisher 5-11-0 M Meagher
29 2P00 WINTERS SOVEREIGN G Oldroyd 6-11-0 G W Gray
30 01 MIRPUR Mrs G Reveley 4-10-13 P Niven (4)
32 00PP CAP THAT J R Turner 5-10-9 Mr S Swiers (7)
34 0-00 CELTIC FLORA Mrs M Thomas 5-10-9 C Mann
35 F CHESNUT AIR M Ellerby 5-10-9 A Brown
39 4000 MISS WOODY J Haldane 6-10-9 P Tuck
42 F000 PLAYING N Pringle 7-10-9 —
44 8000 SAMONIA B Wilkinson 6-10-9 M Hammond

7-2 Doughty Rebel, 4-1 Shelmore Boy, 5-1 Jack Of Clubs, 13-2 Frosty Touch, 8-1 Rampant, 10-1 Mirpur, Ritas Love, 12-1 others.

Chester results

Going: good to soft

2.15 (5f) 1, FLAXLEY (S Perks, 20-1); 2, One Liner (S Cauthen, 6-5 fav); 3, Supreme Optimist (W Carson, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 5 My Buddy (5th), Rimbeau (4th), Run By (6th), 10 El Ba Doubleyou. 7 ran. 1½l, ½l, 3l, 2l, 2l. R Hollinshead at Upper Longdon. Tote: £21.60; £6.00, £1.50. DF: £19.40. CSF: £43.49. 1 min 05.06 sec.

2.45 (1m 4f 65yd) 1, COMME L'ETOILE (M Hills, 2-1 fav); 2, Chevet Lady (S P Griffiths, 10-1); 3, Rockall (J Lowe, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Supreme Kingdom (5th), Mileometer, 6 Fleet Footed (6th), 12 Beau Mirage (4th) 7 ran. 5l, 2l, 20l, 15l, 3l. J Hindley at Newmarket. Tote: £2.20; £1.60, £2.10. DF: £8.80. CSF: £18.38. 2 min 47.59 sec.

3.20 (2m 2f 97 yd) 1, WESTERN DANCER (P Cook, 14-1); 2, Pearl Run (P Robinson, 10-1); 3, Withy Bank (M Birch, 8-1); 4, Inde Pulse (M Hills, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 6 fav High Plains, 8 Accuracy, Backchat, 12 Sterne (5th), Orange Hill, 14 Dan Marino, Path's Sister, 16 Morgans Choice, 22 Aldo King, 25 Revisit, 30 Avebury, 33 For A Lark (6th), Jackdaw, Rushmoor, 50 Contester, Northern Ruler, Red Duster, Sun Street. 22 ran. sh hd, 3l, 1l, 7l, sh hd. C Horgan at Billingbear. Tote: £15.40; £3.40, £2.20, £1.90, £13.90. DF: £43.70. CSF: £135.66. Tricast: £1097.45. 4 mins 10.49 sec.

3.50 (1m 4f 65yd) 1, SALCHOW (W Carson, 4-1); 2, Altiyna (G Starkey, 8-1); 3, Lucayan Princess (S Cauthen, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Sue Grundy, 5 Ivor's Image (4th), 8 Mona Lisa, 12 Farewell To Love (6th), 14 Allatum (5th), 25 Bnde. 9 ran. 2l, nk, 1½l, 20l, 4l. W Hern at West Ilsley. Tote £3.60; £1.20, £3.00, £1.60. DF: £30.50. CSF: £33.61. 2 mins 47.31 sec.

4.20 (7f 122yd) 1, TOBAGO DANCER (G Starkey, 7-1); 2, Indian Love (S Perks, 25-1); 3, Raisinheil (S Cauthen, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Absence of Malice (6th), 4 Green for Danger, 10 Hot Momma (4th), 14 Elsocko (5th), What a Party, Pleasure Island, 20 Cooper Racing Nail, 50 Pegasus Lady. 11 ran. ½l, sh hd, 4l, ¾l, 2l. R Hannon at Marlborough. Tote: £6.50; £1.60, £5.60, £1.70. DF: £133.10. CSF: £137.23. 1 min 39.83 sec. After stewards' enquiry result stood.

4.50 (7f 122 yd) 1, NIGHT OUT PERHAPS (S Cauthen, 3-1); 2, Kayf (W Carson, 10-1); 3, Haber (B Thomson, 15-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Hard Round (4th), 8 Mashhur (6th), 10 Sure Landing, 16 Dark Promise (5th), 33 Shark Fighter. 8 ran. sh hd, 5l, 5l, 6l, 8l. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote £3.70; £1.70, £1.30, £1.40. DF: £10.70. CSF £30.15. 1 min 38.88 sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

Placepot: £135.40

Salisbury

Going: soft

2.0 (1m) 1, DE RIGUEUR (Paul Eddery, 20-1); 3, 8-1); 2, Tale Of Glory (G Baxter, 20-1); 3, Running Flush (A Clark, 6-1 fav); 4, Dimension (J Carter, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Kazarow (6th), 8 Bold Pillager, 10 Gurteen Boy, Tom Forrester, 12 Aqaba Prince, Bel Oscar, 16 Bundaburg, 20 Foot Patrol, 25 Shostakovitch, Safe Custody, Lady Eurolink (5th), New Central, Taj Singh, Marsoom. 18 ran. 2l, 8l, 2l, hd, hd. J Bethell at Didcot. Tote: £10.90; £1.90, £6.20, £2.00, £2.30. DF: £105.20. CSF: £132.83. Tricast: £916.73. 1 min 47.40 sec.

2.30 (6f) 1, AMBROSINI (P Hutton, 8-1); 2, Celestial Drive (A Lappin, 9-1); 3, Solo Style (G Kennedy, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Fav Out Of Harmony, 11-2 Bandyann (6th), 7 Gleadhill Park, 15-2 Winning Format, 8 Tippis Time, 12 Prissy Miss, 20 Lady La Paz (4th), Nora's Boy, Halvick Bay, Royal Berks (5th), Hello Blue, George's Choice. 15 ran. NR: 3l, 2½l, ½l, sh hd, 2½l. M Jarvis at Newmarket. Tote: £6.60; £2.40, £2.60, £9.00. DF: £43.20. CSF: £70.63. Tricast: £767.02. 1 min 19.08 sec.

3.0 (7f) 1, KEDRON (S Whitworth, 100-30 fav); 2, Mudaik (B Rouse, 6-1); 3, Miranda Julia (A McGlone, 10-1); 4, Kings Touch (G Baxter, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Highest Praise (5th), 13-2 Dunloring, 12 Bronze Opal, 14 Empire Blue, 20 Hopeful Dancer, Kimble Blue, Miss Venezuela, 25 Edgewise, Zulu Knight, Burhaain, Harleyford Lad, See No Evil (6th), Witham Girl, Young Flame, Monstation. 19 ran. NR: Cosmic Flight. 2½l, 3l, ½l, sh hd, ¾l. D Laing at Lambourn. Tote: £3.10; £1.10, £1.80, £3.30, £1.50, £1.90. DF: £7.70. CSF: £22.66. Tricast: £161.18. 1min 32.29sec. After a stewards inquiry results stands.

3.30 (5f) 1, QUEL ESPRIT (R Wernham, Evens fav); 2, Quick Snap (R Curant, 16-1); 3, Enchanted Times (T Quinn, 7-4). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Diamond Flight (4th). 4 ran. NR: Milpond Boy. 4l, 3l, 1½l. M McCormack at Wantage. Tote: £1.80. DF: £5.90. CSF: £10.37. 1min 04.63sec.

4.0 (5f) 1, AMIGO SUCIO (S Whitworth, 100-30); 2, Singing Steven (B Rouse, 100-30); 3, Munaasib (Paul Eddery, 11-4 fav). 7 Mr ALSO RAN: 9-2 Sharp Reminder, 7 Mr Grumpy (5th), 16 Comedy Sail, Our Freddie (4th), 20 Hard Act, 25 August Hill (6th), 33 Court Command. 10 ran. ¾l, 2½l, 4l, ½l, 5l. K Brassey at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £9.70; £2.80, £1.40, £1.70. DF: £12.60. CSF: £15.44. 1min 4.66sec.

4.30 (1m 4f) 1, NICOLA WYNN (A McGlone, 20-1); 2, Marie Galante (T Ives, 9-1); 3, Red Shoes (B Procter, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Mycanae Cherry (4th), 7-2 Sharzad, 7 Torreya, 10 Temple Heights (5th), 33 Cherry Glory, Plum Bossy, Tudor d'Or, Nautica, Step, Aunt Etty (6th). Tymbal. 14 ran. 2½l, 2½l, 4l, 5l, 3l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £18.80; £3.10, £1.50, £1.90. DF: £87.40. CSF: £165.89. 2min 45.83sec.

5.0 (1m 2f) 1, HOMME D'AFFAIRE (P Waldron, 9-4 jt-fav); 2, Musical Youth (R Hills, 10-1); 3, Native Habitat (W Woods, 9-4 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Elastique (4th), 7 Dunoof, 15-2 Pounelta, 12 Prince Merandi, 14 Inihead, Fire Rocket, 25 Roaming Weir, Black Comedy (6th), Walcisin (5th). 12 ran. NR: Halo Match. 3l, 4l, 3l, 12l, 1½l. G Lewis at Epsom. Tote: £4.20; £1.10, £6.30, £1.20. DF: £89.80. CSF: £28.49. Tricast: £56.31. 2min 13.43sec.

Placepot: £58.40.

Cheltenham

Going: Soft

5.15 (2m 4f ch) 1, Beanwarm (Mr D Naylor-Leyland, 4-6 fav); 2, Fixed Price (16-1); 3, Paddy's Peril (8-1). 9 ran. 1l, 2l. O Sherwood. Tote: £1.70; £1.40, £4.40, £1.70. DF: £16.70. CSF: £11.66.

5.50 (3m 1f ch) 1, Ladnek (Mr H Wheeler, 4-1); 2, Game Trust (5-2 fav); 3, Robson (7-1). 9 ran. NR: Darlingate. 12l 1½l. A Down. Tote: £5.30; £1.50, £1.40, £1.30. DF: £5.90. CSF: £12.967.

Gesedeh goes straight to Epsom

Gesedeh, second favourite for the Oaks, will not run again before the Epsom classic, but is likely to have a private gallop at Yarmouth racecourse. Plans for the filly were outlined by her trainer Michael Jarvis at Salisbury yesterday after he saddled Ambrosini to win the Horserace Betting Levy Board Apprentice Handicap.

Jarvis said: "Gesedeh is in great form but I'm anxious to give her experience on a left-handed course in time for Epsom. Yarmouth would fit the bill."

Ambrosini was a first winner from 10 rides for Peter Hutton, aged 18, who has been with Jarvis since leaving school. He took the filly to the front 200 yards from home and she was soon clear, beating Celestial Drive by three lengths.

Paul Eddery, in trouble with the stewards twice during April, landed his first winner since returning from suspension when partnering De Rigueur in the Wilstshire Handicap at Salisbury yesterday.

The gelding, trained at Chilton by James Bethell, was continuing a golden spell for his London-based owner, Maggie Heath. She has eight horses, divided equally between Bethell and Oliver Sherwood, and this was her seventh winner since Christmas.

Pradier on trial at Longchamp

Pradier (Erie Legrix) can strengthen his claim to being a realistic French candidate for the Derby at Epsom by winning the Prix de Suresnes over 10½ furlongs at Longchamp today.

Patrick Biancone's colt did not race as a two-year-old, and won impressively on his debut in the Prix Ksamondo on April 7. The son Of Lightning followed up in the Prix la Sorellina 15 days later, and the third horse that day, Saiyf, who was beaten five lengths, went on to run Miscrowm to a short head in Milan's Premio Ambrosiano.

The Aga Khan's Altayan (Yves Saint Martin) looks the most dangerous of Pradier's three opponents. He won his only race, the Prix Choisy-le-Roi, by just a short head.

● Chester racecourse is overcoming the setback of the grandstand fire, loss of television coverage for the big May meeting, and the demotion of two important races – the Dee Stakes and Cheshire Oaks – from Group status.

Charles Toller, the clerk of the course, said: "Television has made no difference to our attendances which, on the first day, were up on 1984 and a small percentage down on last year. Despite the loss of BBC television coverage, Ladbrokes and other firms have been very good and stuck with us for sponsorship. I am very hopeful that we shall be back on television next year with coverage supplied by Channel 4".

Point-to-point results

FIFE: Hunt: Busy Old Fool. Res: Stream Of Bunclody. Adj: Foolish Hero. Open: Olive Press. Ladies: Flying Ace. Mdn I: Carr-dale. Mdn II: Bronzelmowe.

Blinkered first time

SALISBURY: 3.30 Betta Win. 4.30 Cawarra Belle.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

(7.30 unless stated)

FOOTBALL

Second division
Bradford v Wimbledon

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Glenavon v Cliftonville (7.15).
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Newcastle v Everton (7.0); Sheffield United v Hull; West Bromwich v Derby (7.0). Second division: Grimsby v Notts County (7.0); Scunthorpe v Blackpool (7.0); Wolves v Middlesbrough (7.0).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Charlton v Bristol Rovers (3.0); Fulham v Queen's Park Rangers (12.0); Fulham v Millwall (6.0); Tottenham v Millwall (2.0).
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Cup final, second leg: Tottenham v Arsenal (7.0).
HERTS SENIOR CUP: Final: Barnet v Stevenage (at Bishop's Stortford).
CAPITAL LEAGUE: Enfield v Brentford
LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Collier Row v Waltham Abbey.
BUILDING SCENE EASTERN LEAGUE: Braintree v Tiptree; Wisbech v Stowmarket.
GREAT MILLS WESTERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Chippenham v Bristol Manor Farm (6.45); Exmouth v Chard (7.45)
NENE GROUP UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Holbeach v Ampthill.
NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Formby v Leek; Irlam v Congleton; Netherfield v Stalybridge Celtic.
ESSEX THAMES-SIDE TROPHY: Final: Walthamstow Avenue v Grays.

CRICKET

TOUR MATCH
(11.30 to 6.30)
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Indians

BRITANNIC ASSURANCE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
(11.0, 110 overs minimum)
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Kent
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancs v Hampshire
LORD'S: Middlesex v Leicestershire
NORTHAMPTON: Northants v Gloucs
TAUNTON: Somerset v Glamorgan
THE OVAL: Surrey v Warwickshire
HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Sussex

OTHER MATCH
THE PARKS: Oxford Univ v Notts
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Ilkeston: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire; Bristol: Gloucestershire v Somerset; Leicester: Leicestershire v Glamorgan; Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Lancashire

RUGBY LEAGUE
SECOND DIVISION: Blackpool Borough v Batley (7.30); Mansfield Marksman v Fulham (8.0).

OTHER SPORT
RACKETS: Centenary championships (at Queen's Club).
EQUESTRIANISM: Royal Windsor Show.

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Today's television and radio programmes

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Zoe Brown's teenage report and Richard Smith's 'phone-in medical advice.
9.20 The Parent Programme presented by Francis Wilson and Miriam O'Reilly. In this third programme of the 20-part series on coping with the under-fives, breast- and bottle-feeding are discussed. (r) 9.35 Ceefax 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Ceefax.
12.30 News After Noon with Frances Coverdale and Moira Stuart, includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55 Regional news and weather.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One with Bob Langley, Marian Foster and Paul Coia. Among the guests are actor David Lodge who talks about his life and career; and Rita Pankhurst, daughter-in-law of Sylvia, one of the famous suffragette family, who talks about the Fawcett Library, an historical collection of feminist books, documents and memorabilia housed in the London Polytechnic. 1.45 Hokey Cokey. (r) 2.00 Ceefax 3.52 Regional news.
3.55 Lay on Five from Westminster Sports Centre, presented by Floella Benjamin and Robin Stevens 4.10 Laurel and Hardy. Cartoon 4.15 Jonny Briggs. Part ten of the 13-episode serial. (r) 4.30 Ulysses 31. Animated science fiction series.
4.55 John Craven's Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter. In the studio, along with his 84 models of football grounds around the country is John Le Maitre. When he has all 92 English Football League grounds John is turning his attention to Test Match grounds and Wimbledon. (Ceefax)
5.35 Go for it!. The Priestley's from Glasgow take up the healthy challenge. (Ceefax)
6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Andrew Harvey. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Top of the Pops presented by John Peel and Janice Long.
7.30 EastEnders. The police's presence in the Square, investigating the daring bank robbery, does not deter the protection racket gang. (Ceefax)
8.00 Tomorrow's World. A celebration of the programme's 21st birthday, divided into six chronological sections, recalling the biggest stories, ending with an assessment of the series.
9.00 News with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys. Weather.
9.30 Bread. The second in Carla Lane's comedy series about a Liverpool family coping with the effects of unemployment.
10.00 Question Time. Sir Robin Day's panel comprises Bill Morris, Suzanne Reeve, Lord Young and Ian Wrigglesworth.
11.00 Brazil, Brazil. This third of four films about the South American country examines the north-east, an area that has suffered 12 droughts in this century. (r)
11.49 Weather.
11.50 Local Elections 86. David Dimbleby presents the results from the local elections and the two parliamentary by-elections. Professor Ivor Crewe comments; Peter Snow analyses the results; and Sir Robin Day assesses reaction in Westminster. Ends at 2.30.

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Exercises at 6.25; news with Jayne Irving at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.40 and 7.45; cartoon at 7.25; pop video at 7.55; Moya Doherty's reunions at 8.32; Jeni Barnett's postbag at 8.40; remembering the Fifties at 9.03; Claire Rayner at 9.12.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 For Schools: a visit to a farm museum 9.42 Coping with sadness 9.54 A teenager comes to terms with his spina bifida 10.11 The life cycle of the cuckoo 10.28 The story of Sikhism 10.45 Sex education 11.03 Summer tasks on the farm 11.20 How an aircraft is landed 11.40 Historical clues along part of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal.
11.55 Cartoon featuring Courageous Cat 12.00 The Raggy Dolls. The last adventure of the series for the walking talking dolls 12.10 Puddle Lane, with Neil Innes. (r) 12.30 The Sullivans.
1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 Hotel. Arrangements for an engagement party do not go as planned. 2.25 Home Cookery Club. Fish and chips.
2.30 Something to Treasure. Sue Evans and Geoffrey Bond are joined by Nyree Dawn Porter in this week's edition of the antiques magazine programme 3.00 University Challenge. Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge v The Queen's University of Belfast. 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and Daughters.
4.00 The Raggy Dolls. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.00 The Blunders. Cartoon series. 4.20 Treasures of the Mindlord. Computer-based quiz. (Oracle) 4.45 Inspector Gadget. Cartoon.
5.15 Thames Sport. A preview of Saturday's FA Cup final; a review of last night's European Cup final; and the last of Steve Davis's snooker tips.
5.45 News with Carol Barnes 6.00 Thames news.
6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of a Bereavement Projects leaflet produced by the Foundation for Black Bereaved People.
6.35 Crossroads. Nicola receives a visit from Lord Wilminster.
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Joe Sugden discovers that Jack is out to sabotage his plans for NY Estates.
7.30 The A-Team. The irregular quartet are on the trail of a moonshiner, an old friend of Faceman, who is selling hooch that is blinding, paralysing and sometimes killing his customers. (r)
8.30 The Brothers McGregor. The last programme in the comedy series about two half-brothers who run a dubious second-hand car lot in Liverpool. (Oracle)
9.00 Alfred Hitchcock Presents..The Night Caller. A divorced woman is unnerved by a man who is watching her and by strange telephone calls. She decides to buy a gun. Starring Linda Fiorentino. (Oracle)
9.30 TV Eye: Can Mrs Thatcher Say No? Who has control over United States weapons on British soil? TV Eye reveals unpublished details of the agreementbetween the two countries.
10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and Pamela Armstrong.
10.30 Shelley. Comedy starring Hywel Bennett as an amiable layabout. (r)
11.00 London Decides. The results from the borough elections, presented by Alastair Burnet and Michael Barratt.
1.30 Night Thoughts.



Birgit Carlsten: Film on Four, Channel 4, at 9.30pm

CHOICE

●It has a familiar ring to it: Land of the Midnight Knock. And this is not by any means the only predictable image of repression effectively pressed into service to support the uncompromisingly anti-Pinochet stance of tonight's *Open Space* film THE CHILE CONNECTION BBC2, 10.25pm).Batons hit heads,feet thump groins, noxious gas burns skin. By comparison, the water cannon looks almost benign.The least predictable thing about the film is that women are shown to be in the van of opposition to the military *junta* in Chile, and the slogans on their T-shirts succinctly sum up ideals that are as domestic as they are political: Democracy in nation and home.The most provocative activity we see them involved in is the mass singing of the Beethoven tune that accompanies Schiller's *Ode to Joy* in the *Choral Symphony*.Not surprisingly, the irony in the choice of music for this liberation hymn appears to be lost on the baton-swingers and groin kickers.

●HANS-CHRISTIAN AND THE GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY(Channel 4,9.30pm) is a strange film from Sweden, interestingly directed by a new name to me, Lars-Lennart Forsberg, and adapted by Goron Tunstrom from his own novel. It is, by turn, darkly humorous and tragic, and the eccentric way that it uses a crackpot geographical society in a little Swedish village as the point of departure for an expedition into the worlds of loneliness and disillusionment, will not make it everybody's cup of tea. If I have read its message correctly, (and I would not put money on it) it is that cosmic awareness, like charity, should begin at home

●TOMMOROW'S WORLD comes of age tonight (BBC1,8.00pm), and we'll find out how accurately it has forecast scientific trends in the past 21 years. For this, it needs (and gets) twice its normal running time.

●Best on radio tonight: the BBC Philharmonic giving the first performance of Arthur Butterworth's Symphony No 4.(Radio 3, 7.30pm) and Nigel Douglas extolling the artistry of Amelita Galli-Curci in this week's edition of *Singer's Choice*.(Radio 4, 8.10pm).

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Social Sciences - Sociobiology. Ends at 7.20.
9.00 Ceefax.
9.35 Daytime on Two: German-language programme on bodybuilding in Austria 9.55 How do you feed plants when away? 10.15 Science - floating 10.38 Religious studies 11.00 Conquering deserts 11.22 Textiles' fashion-makers 11.45 A Jamaican family looking for better opportunities 12.05 Ceefax 12.30 The constituency work of an MP 12.55 Ceefax 1.43 English-language version of the programmme shown at 9.35 2.00 For four- and five-year olds 2.15 A song about transport in Java 2.40 History - the development of the steamship.
3.00 Ceefax.
5.25 News summary with subtitles. Weather.
5.30 Goin' Places. Harry Gration visits the Game Show at Broughton Hall near Skipton, North Yorkshire. (First shown on BBC North)
6.00 Mission Impossible. Phelps jeopardises an attempt to gain access to a secret formula by overlooking a new security device. Starring Peter Graves, Leonard Nimoy and, this evening, Anne Francis. (r)
6.50 Eureka. The first of a new series of dramatized accounts of the inventions of everyday objects, beginning with Worcestershire sauce, mustard and saccharin.
7.20 Chabot Solo. Programme one of a three-part personal history of flying, from Bleriot to Concorde, by veteran aviator Charles Chabot. (r)
8.10 Bookmark. The final programme of the series, presented by Ian Hamilton. Timothy Mo talks about his book, An Insular Possession; A. Alvarez, from the North Cormorant oil platform in the North Sea, muses on his latest, Offshore; and Dr Robert Burchfield comments on Nigel Williams' film about 'S to Z' the last volume of the supplement to the O.E.D. of which Dr Burchfield is editor.
9.00 The Clairvoyant. Comedy by Roy Clarke, about a car dealer, who, after an accident, believes he has psychic powers. Starring Roy Kinnear and Sandra Dickinson. (r) (Ceefax)
9.30 King of the Ghetto. Episode two of the four-part drama, written by Farrukh Dhondy, and set in London's East End. Starring Tim Roth, Zia Mohyeddin, Gwyneth Strong, and Ian Dury. (Ceefax)
10.25 Open Space: The Chile Connection. A new series begins with this film documentary made by the Chile Solidarity Campaign illustrating the depth of opposition to Chile's militay junta. (see Choice)
10.55 Newsnight 11.40 Weather.
11.45 Open University: Weekend Outlook 11.50 Religion: The Mindful Way. Ends at 12.20.

CHANNEL 4

2.15 Their Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords, presented by David Rose.
2.30 Film: Mammy* (1930) starring Al Jolson. A musical, based on James Gleason's play, Mr Bones, about a member of a minstrel show who is accused of the attempted murder of his rival for the hand of the lovely Nora Meadows (Lois Moran). Directed by Michael Curtiz.
4.00 Film: The Dover Road Mystery* (1960). A Scotland Yard story, introduced by Edgar Lustgarten, about a small town bank robbery during which a passer by is killed. Geoffrey Keen stars as Inspector Duggan. Directed by Gerard Bryant.
4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's winner is challenged by Kenneth Horn, a butcher from Kent.
5.00 Film: Go Into Your Dance* (1935) starring Al Jolson. A musical about a bigoted Broadway star who, when barred by Actors Equity, makes for Chicago where he teams up with a dancer to form a successful act - backed by gangsters. With Ruby Keeler making her only film with her husband. Directed by Archie Mayo.
6.40 Film: Dizzy Doctors* (1937). The Three Stooges create mayhem in a hospital. Directed by Del Lord.
7.00 Channel Four news with Peter Sissons and Alastair Stewart.
7.50 Comment on the Chernobyl disaster from the deputy editor of Soviet Weekly, Vladimir Kalugin. Weather.
8.00 Worldwise Reports. This week's edition of the environmental issues magazine programme deals with the nuclear industry. With reports from Sellafield, Dounreay and Winfrith Heath.
8.30 Club Mix presented by Smiley Culture and Baz Bamigboye. The guests include Watford footballer, John Barnes; Kanda Bongo Man, one of Zaire's top bands; and dub poetess Jean Breeze.
9.00 What Now? Episode six of the seven part drama serial, written by Phil Redmond, about a group of unemployed young people in Liverpool. (Oracle)
9.30 Film on Four - from Sweden: Hans-Christian and the Geographic Society (1981) starring Ernst-Hugo Jaregard and Birgit Carlsten. A story of loneliness set in a rural community against the background of the approaching Second World War. Directed by Lars-Lennart Forsberg. English subtitles. (see Choice)
11.15 Seeds of Hope - The Village. An international aid project for an Ethiopian highland village as seen through the eyes of one of the villagers.
12.15 Their Lordships' House. Highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords. Ends at 12.30.

Radio 4

On long wave. VHF variations at end of Radio 4.
5.55 am Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News 6.45 Business News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.00, 8.00 News 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 In Business. Peter Smith reports from the business world (r)
9.30 The Natural History Programme. With Fergus Keeling and Lionel Kelleway.
10.00 News; Medicine Now. Geoff Watts on the health of medical care. (r)
10.30 Morning Story: Neighbours, by Norrie Hearn. Reader: Denys Hawthorne.
10.45 An Act of Worship (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Analysis [new series] Mary Goldring discovers what Saudi Arabia has done with its oil billions (r)
11.48 Time For Verse presented by John Heath-Stubbs. Today: Love Poems.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer affairs, with John Howard.
12.27 First Night Impressions. Robert Cushman recalls his years as drama critic of The Observer (3) The National Theatre (r). 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One: News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. With Sue MacGregor.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Ticket, by T D Webster. With Alan Parnaby. A tale of football fever in Blackpool (s)
4.04 Holy Communion on Ascension Day from All Souls Church, Langham Place, London.
4.45 Kaleidoscope. Futurism in Venice. A report from Richard Cork.
5.00 PM: News Magazine 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 Brain of Britain 1986. First round: Midlands (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers? A chance to air your views on some of the subjects raised in last week's Any Questions?
7.40 Mexican Journey. Hugh O'Shaughnessy visits Mexico City.
8.10 Singers Choice. Tenor and opera producer Nigel Douglas talks about his favourite singers, with recordings (4) Amelita Galli-Curci (s)
8.40 Profile.
9.00 Does He Take Sugar? For disabled listeners and their families.
9.30 The Archive Auction. Dilly Barlow in BBC Sound Archives.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. With Paul Vaughan.Includes items on The Chalk Garden, at Chichester, and the film Vagabonde (including an interview with Varda)
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: The Amateur Emigrant (4). Reader: Paul Young. 10.29 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00 News; Weather; Local and By-election Special. Anthony Howard with coverage of the by-elections in Ryedale and Derbyshire West and of the local elections in London boroughs and for district councils in England and Wales and for the Scottish regional councils. 12.33 Shipping Forecast
12.43 Local and By-election Special
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel 9.05-10.45 For Schools. 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 1.55-3.00pm For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.30-12.10am Open University: Getting Political. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: Radio Geography.

Radio 3

On medium wave. VHF variations at end of Radio 3
6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Morning Concert: Bach (Suite No 2 in B minor, BWV 1067: with Barthold Kuijken,flute), Schubert (Gretchen am Spinnrade: Norman,soprano), Dvorak (symphonic poem The Golden Spinning Wheel). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (contd): Debussy (Aimons-nous et dormons: Jane, with Mady Mesple,soprano), Mendelssohn (Sextet Op 110,for piano,strings), Prokofiev (Piano Concerto No 1: Gavrilov with LSO). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Ockeghem. Marian motets, and Mass based on his own Chanson and lament on his death. With Pomerium Musices. Also Josquin's Nymphes des boys,with Hilliard Ensemble
9.35 Haydn and Pleyel: Salomon Quartet. Haydn (Quartet in F minor, Op 20 No 5), Pleyel (G major Quartet)
10.20 Faure Piano Music: Kathryn Stott plays works including Valse-caprice No 3 in G flat, Op 59; Nocturne No 6 in D flat, Op 63, and Barcarolle No 6 in E flat, Op 70
11.00 Halle Orchestra (under Andrew Davis). With Ida Haendel (violin).Part one. Grieg (Norwegian Dances), Sibelius (Violin Concerto)
11.55 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC
12.15 Halle Orchestra (part two)Nielsen(Symphony No 3), with Mark Tinkler (baritone), Janice Close (soprano). 1.00 News
1.05 Bristol Concert: Schubert Ensemble of London. Mahler (Piano Quartet Movement), Schubert (Quintet iin A, D 667, The Trout)
2.00 Radio SO, Frankfurt (under Atzmon), with Reinhold Friedrich(trumpet). Hummel (Trumpet Concerto), Hindemith (Symphonic Metamorphosis of themes by Carl Maria von Weber)
2.40 Richard Markham and David Nettle: two pianos. Walker (Passacaglia for two pianos), Grainger (Fantasy on Porgy and Bess)
3.15 A Vauxhall Gardens Entertainment: an 18th century reconstruction. With Jennifer Smith (soprano). William Kendal (tenor). English Concert under Pinnock.Includes works by Arne, J C Bach, Hook, Chilcot, Handel and Boyce, and Russell (r). 4.55 News
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection,presented by Roger Nichols
5.30 Bandstand: International Staff Band of the Salvation Army. Dudley Bright (To Serve and to Save), Himes (Journey into Peace), Curnow (The Great Salvation War)
7.00 Schubert: Nobuko Imai (viola) and Roger Vignoles (piano)play the Sonata in A minor, Arpeggione
7.30 BBC Philharmonic (under Brynden Thomson), with Hamish Milne (piano), and Patrick Addinall (trumpet). Geoffrey Bush (Concerto for piano,trumpets,strings), Arthur Butterworth (Symphony No 4)
8.40 The True Tale of Margery Kempe:the story of a woman who said she saw Christ. With Vivian Pickles. Dramatized by Eva Figes (r)
9.30 Esther Lamandier:voice, vielle and harp. The works include Ak egartho; Li solaus luist; Rien n'est qui ne viegne a sa fin, and Una hija tiene
10.00 Music in our Time: BBC SO, with Peter Donohoe (piano). Ligeti (San Francisco Polyphony), York Holler (Piano Concerto), and David Matthews (In the dark time). Conductors: Mark Elder and Elgar Howarth
11.10 Park Lane Sextet: Strauss (String Sextet, Capriccio), and Reger's Sextet in F, Op 118
11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown. VHF only: Open University. From 6.55am to 6.55. Music and words.

Radio 2

On medium wave. See Radio 1 for VHF variations.
News on the hour. Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. Sports Desks: 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55. Cricket Scoreboard 7.30pm. Election Results details of today's two by-elections and local government elections throughout the night.
4.00am Charles Nove (s) 5.30 Ray Moore (s) 7.30 Derek Jameson (s) 9.30 Ken Bruce (s) 11.00 Jimmy Young incl food information from Tony De Angeli (s) 1.05pm David Jacobs (s) 2.05 Gloria Hunniford (s) 3.30 David Hamilton (s) 5.05 John Dunn (s) 7.00 Wally Whyton with Country Club (s) 9.00 Rhythm and Blues (Paul Jones) (s) 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 The News Huddlines. Roy Hudd with June Whitfield, Chris Emmett and the Huddliners 10.30 Star Sound Extra 11.00 Brian Matthew (special edition celebrating the opening of the Royal Shakespeare Company's third theatre at Stratford-upon-Avon) 1.00am-4.00 Peter Dickson presents Nightride incl coverage of the declarations from the Ryedale and Derbyshire West by-elections.

Radio 1

5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith (from Montreaux Rock Festival) 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Ian Parkinson) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.30 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 Andy Kershaw (s). VHF RADIOS 1 & 2: 4.00amm As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Nature Notebook 6.40 The Farming World 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 7.30 The Pop Press 7.45 Network UK 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 International Soccer Special 8.30 John Peel 9.00 News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Byways of History 10.00 News 10.01 Robert Tear's Victorian Songbook 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 New Ideas 11.25 A Letter From England 11.30 Assignment 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Top Twenty 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours 1.30 Network UK 1.45 Flanders and Swann 2.00 News 2.01 Outlook 2.45 Jazz From Europe 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 The Pleasure's yours 4.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Assignment 5.45 Sports Roundup 7.45 Here's Humph! 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Business Matters 9.00 News 9.01 Book Choice 9.05 In the Meantime 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter from England 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme 11.30 Nature Notebook 11.40 The Farming World 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Music Now 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Flanders and Swann 1.45 Book Choice 1.50 In the Meantime 2.00 News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Training for Tomorrow 2.30 Talking About Music 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 4.45 Financial News 4.55 Reflections 5.00 News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.45 The World Today. All times in GMT.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES:5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Gardening Together 11.00-11.45 Miami Vice. 11.45-11.50 News and weather SCOTLAND 10.20am-10.30 Dotaman 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland 11.00-11.20 The Regional Vote '86 11.20-11.50 Late Night in Concert: The Alarm 11.50-2.25am The Regional Vote '86. 2.25-2.30 Weather NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 Go for it! 11.50-11.55 News and weather 11.55-2.30am The Regional Vote (as BBC1) ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Home Cookery 1.35-2.30 Falcon Crest 3.30-4.00 Country GP 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00-6.35 Channel Report 7.30-8.30 T J Hooker 10.30 Putting on the South 11.15 Film: Cloak Without Dagger 12.30am That's Hollywood 1.00 Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Home Cookery 1.35-2.30 Falcon Crest 3.30-4.00 Country GP 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 7.30-8.30 T J Hooker 10.30 Putting on the South 11.15 Election Special 12.30am That's Hollywood 1.00 Company, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00-6.35 North Tonight 7.00 Diff'rent Strokes 7.30-8.30 Falcon Crest 10.30 Dreams 11.00 Barney Miller 11.30 Crann Tara 12.00 Living and Growing 12.30am News, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20pm News 1.25 Lookaround 1.30-2.30 The Baron 5.15-5.45 The Parlour Game 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 7.30-8.30 Falcon Crest 10.32 Great Trailer Show 11.00 Joe Lives 12.00 Gone Away, Closedown.

HTV WEST 1.20pm News 1.30 Country Practice 2.25-2.30 Home Cookery 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes 6.00-6.35 News 7.30-8.30 Falcon Crest 10.35 At Home 11.05 Election Extra 1.15am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.30am-10.09 Schools 10.11-10.26 Looking Forward 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six 10.30 Wales This Week 11.05 Ageless Ageing 11.35-12.20am International Sevens.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Contact 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 5.15-5.45 Candid Camera 6.00 Crossroads 6.25-7.00 News 7.30-8.00 Falcon Crest 10.30 Stoke in Bloom 11.30 Election '86 12.15am Closedown, Central Jobfinder.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Falcon Crest 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 7.00 Anything Goes 7.30-8.30 Simon and Simon 10.30 The Guardians 11.00 Rugby Union 11.45 Live From Wilebski's 12.15am Bishop's Move, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 5.15-5.45 Candid Camera 6.00-6.35 Lookaround 7.30-8.30 T J Hooker 10.30 V 11.30 It's in the Closet. It's Under the Bed 12.00 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.30 Falcon Crest 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy 10.32 Two Acorns From Prehistory 11.00 Rugby Union 11.45 Party with the Rovers 12.15am Two Districts Decide 12.20 Postcript, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Croquet 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 5.15-5.45 Croquet 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-6.35 This Is Your Right 7.30 Granada 30: The Cukoo Waltz 8.00 Falcon Crest 9.00-9.30 Brothers McGregor 10.30 Local Election Special 10.40 This England 11.10 Croquet 11.55 Election Special 12.40am Closedown.

S4C 1.00pm Countdown 1.30 Alice 2.00 Yn Eu Cynefin 2.20 Ffalabalam 2.35 Hyn O Fyd 2.55 Allies at War 4.50 Hanner Awr Fwy 5.30 I Dream of Jeannie 6.00 Brookside 6.30 Marketing Mix 7.00 Newyddion Saith 7.30 Ffair Dan Gap 8.00 Dysgwyr 8.35 Dinas 9.05 Hill Street Blues 10.00 Prospects 11.00 Film: Farenheit 451 1.05am Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm Lunchtime 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase 3.30-4.00 Country Ways 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.25-6.35 Police Six 10.30 Counterpoint 11.00 Model Magic 11.30 Jazz Special 11.55 Moviemakers 12.25am News, Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Bodyline 1.35-2.30 Simon and Simon 3.30-4.00 Whiskers and Wet Noses 5.15-5.45 Connections 6.00-6.35 News and Scotland Today 7.00 Take the High Road 7.30-8.30 Falcon Crest 10.35 Crime Desk 10.40 That's Hollywood 11.08 How Scotland Voted 12.35am Late Call, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Calendar Lunchtime Live 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Carson's Law 5.15-5.45 Survival 6.00-6.35 Calendar 7.30-8.30 T J Hooker 10.30 City Centre Cycling 11.15 Election Special 12.10am Off the Rack 12.40 Closedown.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

BARBICAN 628 8795/638 8891. Ton't 7.45 THE BERNSTEIN FESTIVAL. London Symphony Orchestra John Mauceri cond.

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL 01-928 3191 CC 928 8800 Tonight 7.30pm. PHILHARMONIA. Simon Rattle. Maria Ewing. Debussy: Prelude a l'apres-midi d'un faune. Ravel: Sheherazade. Boulez: Rituel. Ravel: Trois Poems de Stephane Mallarme. Debussy: Iberia.

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COLISEUM S 836 3161 CC 240 5258. ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Ton't 7.00 Doctor Faust. Tomor 7.30 The Bartered Bride

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE, Covent Garden, WC2. 01 240 1066/1911. CC S Standby info 01 836 6903 Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. 65 amphi seats avail from 10am on the day (Ex Gala) Tickets. Opera from £7.50. Ballet from £5.00. Ton't 7.30 The Royal Ballet Gala performance Concerto/Le Baiser de la fée/Anastasia one act version. Ballet casting info: 01 240 9815. Tomor 7.30 The Royal Opera Tosca.

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GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. Evgs 7.45 mat Sat 2.30. Michael Aldridge, Gwen Watford Felicity Dean Michael Simkins in ALAN AYCKBOURN'S RELATIVELY SPEAKING "A JOY... EXTREMELY FUNNY" STD. "THOROUGHLY ENJOYABLE" F.Times

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301. Eves 8pm. Sat Mats 4.30. THE GAMBLER. by and with PETER BREWIS, BOB GOODY & MEL SMITH "very funny indeed" Obs. "Hugely enjoyable" F.T. "As tasty as picking up a Royal Flush" D.Tel. EXTENDED TO MAY 24.

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High security for Robson's flight of hope

Tight security surrounded the England World Cup squad when they flew out of Gatwick yesterday en route to Colorado where they will undergo altitude training in preparation for the cauldron of Mexico.

Following recent terrorist outrages, no risks were being taken. The players and officials were driven by coach through to a special area beyond passport control and not allowed to walk through the airport terminal. A Gatwick security officer said: "I have not seen anything like it before."

England's manager, Bobby Robson, said before the party's departure that they were determined not to let anybody down. He said: "The supporters want us to do well, and I think they are expecting us to do well.

"It won't be easy. It's a big mission, a difficult mission, but we won't be found lacking in application or determination. We know what's at stake and we know we are representing the country."

Robson will be hoping that the scenes which greeted the Argentinians on their arrival in Mexico City yesterday are not repeated when England touch down there for the finals, which begin on May 31. Angry words and punches were exchanged between football officials and reporters covering the former world champions's arrival.

The healing

Seville, Spain (Reuter) — Liverpool and Juventus supporters were brought together in an emotional reconciliation here yesterday, one year after the European Cup final in Brussels where 39 died.

The Mayor of Seville, where this year's final is staged, presided over the ceremony in which delegations exchanged gifts. "This is a moment to remember the victims and to begin rebuilding our friendship," Liverpool's Mayor, Hugh Dalton, said. "As teams, Liverpool and Juventus were innocent: the clubs were disgraced by a few supporters," Giogio Cardetti, the Mayor of Turin, replied.

Despite being stabbed at the Heysel stadium, 22-year-old Steven Jackson said the tragedy had not destroyed his love of football. "We want to be good ambassadors for our club," he said.

Newsmen blamed the officials for the chaos, saying they failed to issue enough passes for a Press conference which eventually had to be abandoned.

The trouble has fuelled criticism in the captial that the Mexicans are ill-prepared to handle one of the world's major sporting showpieces.

The Argentinian captain, Diego Maradona, was jostled by a crowd of onlookers who reached out to touch him. When police pushed them back they became angry and began chanting "Hugo, Hugo, Hugo", a reference to the Mexican forward, Hugo Sanchez, currently playing with Real Madrid and the leading scorer in Spain.

The independent Radio Red station said such nationalistic outbursts were examples of poor sportsmanship. It said it hoped Mexican supporters would show greater hospitality when other teams arrived.

The leading daily sports newspaper, *Ovaciones*, echoed the sentiment in an editorial: "Mexico is an example of disorganisation simply because nobody bothered to organise the reception of the Argentine players."

After being escorted to buses by a strong contingent of police, the players were taken to a nearby hotel where they enjoyed a traditional Argentinian breakfast of wine and beef and spoke to reporters who managed to slip through the security cordon.

Their manager, Carlos Bilardo, said the squad would spend the remainder of the day resting after their ordeal. He said they would move into lodgings at the America Football Club's sporting complex today.

Argentina will play the World Cup holders, Italy, Bulgaria and South Korea in Group A first round matches



Robson and Robson: England's captain, Bryan (left), and manager Bobby at a reception before their departure for Mexico

Dunnett guaranteed seat on committee

Nineteen top Football League chairmen and directors are contesting the eight places on the League's new-look management committee. Only Jack Dunnett, the League president, is guaranteed his seat on the reformed committee. He is unopposed as the representative for the third and fourth divisions.

There are 10 contenders for the first division's four places and eight nominations for the second division's three seats. Ballot papers have been sent out and the results should be known on Tuesday.

The new committee will come to power after the League's annual general meeting in London on May 23, although a new president will be elected by the meeting.

The nominations are: **First division:** David Dein (Arsenal), Doug Ellis (Aston Villa), Ken Bates (Chelsea), Phil Carter (Everton), John Smith (Luton), Ron Mackenzie (Newcastle), Maurice Roworth (Nottingham Forest), Bert McGee (Sheffield Wednesday), Irving Scholar (Tottenham), Geoff Smith (Watford). **Second division:** Bill Fox (Blackburn), Brian Bedson (Brighton), Ron Noades (Crystal Palace), Chris Needler (Hull), Maxwell Holmes (Leeds), Ian Stott (Oldham), Derek Dooley (Sheffield United), Alan Everiss (West Bromwich). **Third and fourth divisions:** Jack Dunnett (Notts County).

● Leicester City have dismissed Gerry Summers, aged 52, their coach, and are now looking for "a younger man" to take over his duties and eventually succeed Gordon Milne, the club's present manager. The Filbert Street board want Milne to appoint a No. 2 to groom as his successor so he can ultimately become general manager.

The future of both Milne and Summers looked under threat as Leicester struggled to avoid relegation, but they secured their first division future with a win on the last Saturday of the season.

Terry Shipman, Leicester's chairman, said that a fresh approach was needed at the club and that Milne accepted this. Portsmouth's chief scout, Derek Healy, has become the first victim of the club's failure to reach the first division. After four years at Fratton Park Healy has been told that his contract is not being renewed.

● Gyorgy Mezei, Hungary's manager, has been forced to rule out three players from his squad preparing for the World Cup in Mexico. Tibor Nyilasi, an outstanding forward, has still not recovered from a back operation five weeks ago and his replacement, Andras Torocsik, has been ruled out because of an ankle injury.

Peter Hannich, a midfield player, who was recalled to the national side after a year's absence, is also injured and misses the finals. The squad is currently in a secluded training camp in the Austrian Alps, and they leave for Mexico on May 19.

Real keep hold of their cup

West Berlin (Reuter) - Real Madrid retained the UEFA Cup on Tuesday night, the eighth time they have won a European trophy, despite Cologne's valiant effort to make up a 5-1 deficit from the first leg. The West Germans, who were forced to play their home leg at least 350 kilometres (220 miles) from their stadium because of violence by their supporters at their semi-final in Belgium, won 2-0. Real won 5-3 on aggregate.

Cologne attacked constantly and were rewarded with goals from Bein in the 23rd minute, and Geilenkirchen in the 72nd. But they ran up against stubborn Spanish resistance, and found Agustin, the Real goalkeeper outstanding. Real's only threatening attempt at goal was from Gordillo who hit the bar. The club have won the European Cup six times and have now taken the UEFA Cup two years running. They will not go for a treble, having earned a place in the European Cup

Players who failed to reach Mexico

Tony Morley and Bobby Robson stood side by side when England's new manager set out for Mexico four years ago. Robson is now within sight of his destination — the squad flew out yesterday — but somewhere along the way Morley got diverted on to the road to Hong Kong.

Morley, a winger who played in Robson's first match in charge, a 2-2 European Championship draw in Denmark, is playing for Seiko after an unhappy £150,000 move from Aston Villa to West Bromwich Albion three years ago. Osman, Rix, Mariner, Armstrong and Clemence have all long since disappeared from the international scene, too, after being in that original Robson squad.

Ironically, having left Ipswich Town in an attempt to restore his England standing, Osman could not regain his place after a £200,000 move to Leicester City in the summer.

Robson tried 61 players in his 42 games over the past four years and a glance at the early squads is like a trip down memory lane. He immediately discarded Keegan, Mills and McDermott, but Neal (now player-manager at Bolton Wanderers and hoping for one more Wembley appearance in the Freight Rover Trophy final), Thompson, Coppell and Mariner were briefly retained.

Gregory (Queen's Park Rangers), Lee (Liverpool), Devonshire (West Ham United), Blissett (Watford) and Duxbury (Manchester United) were others tried.

England's first World Cup qualifying match saw the introduction of Tottenham Hotspur's utility man, Gary Stevens, but it was not until the sixth of the eight qualifying matches that his Everton full back namesake joined the World Cup trail.

Aston Villa's midfield player, Hodge, is the most recent recruit for Mexico, leaving earlier contenders, such as Williams (Arsenal), Mabbutt (Tottenham) and Hunt (Aston Villa), to wonder what went wrong.

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YACHTING

Cudmore will not defend title

By Barry Pickthall

Ten leading America's Cup skippers descend on Lymington next week to do battle for the Westerly Royal Lymington Cup, Britain's premier match-racing championship. Harold Cudmore, the man who has made this event all but his own in previous years, will not be there to defend the title he has won six times before.

Cudmore, who is skipper of Britain's America's Cup challenge and added the Congressional Cup earlier this year to the 10 previous international match race titles he has won, blames pressure of work in masterminding Britain's 12-metre hopes in Fremantle for not appearing this year.

In his place are Chris Law and Eddie Warden-Owen, the two leading helmsmen from the British challenge, and Lawrie Smith, who has been sailing with Kevin Parry's Australian Task Force '87 Syndicate this winter, to uphold national honour against skippers from the United States, New Zealand, Italy and West Germany.

Another invited helmsman not taking part is Stefane Roberti, who has left the Aga Khan's Azzurra Syndicate. His place has now been taken by his fellow Italian, Lorenzo Bortolotti, who skippered Azzurra in the recent 12 metre world championship.

● Middlesbrough's teenage midfield player, Colin Cooper, has signed a new one-year contract. Cooper made his second division debut in March and played eight games in the club's unsuccessful fight to avoid relegation.

EQUESTRIANISM

Glazzard set to steal show

By Jenny MacArthur

Although Britain's four European team gold medal winners are all competing at the Royal Windsor Horse Show which starts today in the Home Park, it is the less experienced Geoff Glazzard who looks set to dominate the showjumping classes.

Glazzard, who is in his first year of sponsorship with N.R.G. Vision, is bringing four on-form horses, headed by the nine-year-old, Penwood Fleetline, on whom he won the area international trials at the Newark and Notts Show last weekend.

He has a second top-class contender in Steve Hadley's former ride, Sunorra, now 15, who showed all her old zest when winning the AIT at Taplow last month. Idle Genius, a winner at Leicester this week, and the less experienced Kid Curry, winner of a good class at Taplow, make up Glazzard's complement.

For the four medal winners — Malcolm Pyrah, John and Michael Whitaker and Nick Skelton — Windsor is a last outing before next week's Nations Cup meeting in Spain. John Whitaker is riding Next Ryan's Son, winner of the main class at Newark, and the grey gelding, Milton. Pyrah will jump Towerlands Diamond Seeker in at least one class before the horse flies to Spain, but will otherwise rely heavily on Firefox, who "takes a lot of getting going outside".

Skelton, who defends his title in tomorrow evening's Toshiba Gentleman's Jumping Championships, is riding the reliable, Raffles St James, and a new partner, Feiner Kerl, while Michael Whitaker is bringing his World Cup ride, Next Warren Point. Whitaker's wife, Veronique, is without her top horse, Gingo, who is recovering from a foot infection, but she has Coggeshall Spot On for tomorrow's Ladies Jumping Championship. Notable absentees from that class are Janet Hunter and Liz Edgar, who are both competing abroad.

Coe's opener

Sebastian Coe opens his summer track racing programme when he competes for Haringey in the first GRE British Athletics League division one match of the season at Alexander Stadium, Birmingham, on Saturday. Coe runs in the 4 x 400m relay and is also expected to turn out in the 800m, partnering his Northern Ireland international clubmate, Steve Martin.

GOLF

Made to measure for Davies

From John Hennessy, Chantilly

The Hennessy Cognac Cup, which starts today, has attracted the biggest field in the seven-year history of the Women's Professional Golf Association, a gathering of 104 players. The total, including six amateurs, would have been 105 had not the air attacks on Tripoli and Benghazi frightened off Patty Sheehan, the leading name from the United States.

The strength of the entry is hardly surprising, since the tournament's prize fund of £60,000 is also a record, with £9,000 going to the winner and at least £1,000 to the first 16 players in the final order on Sunday.

In the absence of Miss Sheehan, the limelight falls on Laura Davies, the Surrey player, who took the WPGA tour by storm last year in her first season. More to the point, the French will recall the memorable fight and fright Miss Davies gave to Jan Stephenson, of Australia, last year's expensive importation, before surrendering in the last round.

The course, 6,303 yards long and wide open, is made to measure for Miss Davies, whose prodigious drives bring all five par fives into range, except perhaps the 527 yards 18th, and takes the bite out of the most testing par fours.

Yet the tournament will possibly be won on and around the expansive, undulating greens. A blazing streak with the putter can always cut the long hitters down to size.

A cosmopolitan tussle could be on the cards at the death, with the formidable French amateur champion, Marie-Laure de Taya, anxious to improve on her third place last year, with the gifted young Swede, Liselotte Neumann, already showing signs of burgeoning supremacy, and with Muriel Thomson, of Scotland, bubbling with confidence after her victory at Woburn last week.

CYCLING

Ampler triumphs in depleted field

Uwe Ampler, of East Germany, snatched a narrow victory in the first event as the Peace race got under way in Kiev yesterday, overshadowed by the disaster nearby at Chernobyl (Reuter, reports). Ampler, son of the 1963 Peace race winner, Klaus Ampler, took the 7km time trial by 0.22sec with a time of 8min 36.09sec.

Viktor Klimov, of the Soviet Union, winner of the 1984 race, was second, more than a second faster than Bulgaria's Nencho Staikov. The race was starting in the Soviet Union for the first time, although it had been threatened by the accident at the nuclear power station on April 26. The Ukrainian capital is only 130km from Chernobyl.

Soviet authorities insisted that the cyclists would not be in any danger from radiation, but nine teams decided to pull out, leaving only 10 countries.

These were, in order of team standings after yesterday's trial: East Germany, Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Poland, France, Cuba, Hungary, Mongolia and Syria.

The field travel through parts of Poland and East Germany before finishing in Prague on May 22. Today's first stage of 138km goes through the streets of Kiev.

● ALBACETE, Spain (Reuter) - Jon Eguiarte, of Spain, won the 200km fifteenth stage of the Tour of Spain race yesterday, with a time of 4hr 39min 20sec. Sean Kelly, of Ireland, won the pack sprint to take second place, 26 seconds behind. Manuel Dominguez, of Spain, was third.

SPORT IN BRIEF

The Louis awards

Mrs Marva Louis, the wife of Joe Louis, and her son, Joe Louis Junior, will be the guests of honour at the World Boxing Council's dinner to commemorate the birthday of Joe Louis at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London, on May 16 (Srikumar Sen writes).

Mrs Louis will present WBC awards to 13 British world champions: Jack Kid Berg, aged 77, Terry Allen, Terry Downes, Howard Winstone, Walter McGowan, Ken Buchanan, John Conteh, John Stracey, Jim Watt, Alan Minter, Maurice Hope, Charlie Magri and Dennis Andries. Proceeds from the dinner will go to the WBC Sports Medicine Foundation.

Shoot-out

Malcolm Cooper's closest rival has denied him the chance of repeating, in Edinburgh, his six-medal haul at the last Commonwealth Games. The Olympic gold medal winner's place in the England prone rifle pairs has gone to his wife, Sarah. But he admitted: "I don't mind too much; Sarah deserves her place."



Pierre Fehlmann (above), skipper of UBS Switzerland, is favourite to cross the Portsmouth finishing line first in the Whitbread round the world race. He was reported to be 270 miles ahead of Drum, the yacht of the pop singer, Simon Le Bon.

Nomination

Sir Robin Cater, the former Walker Cup golfer, has been nominated as captain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St Andrews, for 1986-87. Sir Robin, who retired in 1983 as chairman of the Distillers Company, played in the Walker Cup in 1955 and represented Scotland on five occasions.

Davis date

Warsaw (Reuter) — The Poland-Finland Davis Cup tennis tie, due to start here tomorrow but postponed because of fears of radiation leakage after the Chernobyl nuclear accident, will be played from May 23 to 25.

Curtain-raiser

Berne (Reuter) — A men's downhill in Las Lenas, Argentina, will usher in the World Cup Alpine skiing season this year for the second successive year. The opening race will be on August 9.

Seoul role

Seoul (Reuter) — The South Korean sports minister, Park Sae-jik, yesterday took over from Roh Tae-woo as head of the organising committee for the 1988 Olympics and this September's Asian Games.

Finalists give food for thought

DAVID MILLER

The appearance of two Eastern European clubs, Dynamo Kiev and Steaua of Bucharest, in the finals of the two major European tournaments — the first time there has been such an occasion in the same season — provides useful evidence for the International Olympic Committee in their attempts to counter the Soviet Union's anti-professional campaign.

The impassioned plea against the encroachment of professionalism into the Olympic Games by Marat Gramov at the recent meeting of the Association of National Olympic Committees in Seoul, has, for the moment, embarrassed Juan Samaranch in his bid to rationalize the Games, and check the alleged ideological principal which could give totalitarian countries total domination of the medals.

In Seoul, Lance Cross, of New Zealand, and Charles Palmer, of Britain, spoke strongly in favour of an open Olympics and a removal of the hypocrisy of some officials who try to pretend that the competitors in the major Olympic sports are not full-time and for all practical purposes professional, whatever their nationality. The Steaua team playing in Seville last night train, if anything, more regularly than the professionals of Spain, England, Italy and elsewhere: twice a day other than on match days.

Wrong move over tennis

Is the Kiev team any less professional than the Atletico Madrid side which they outplayed? Five members of the Steaua side were in Romania's last Olympic football team. As General Stoichev, Bulgaria's member of the IOC, has said, it is a nonsense to claim that today's top Olympians are amateurs.

The only difference between the United States and Soviet Union is in who provides the money which sustains the competitors. The NOCs in Seoul have done the Olympics a dis-service, which the IOC will be hard-pressed to reverse. The IOC need, in such circumstances, more effective public relations. What frightened the NOCs, of course, was the prospect of professional tennis. The image of McCormack and McEnroe penetrates every sports official's consciousness. It was an unwise move for the IOC to welcome tennis back into the family. Without professional players tennis will stage an irrelevant Olympic competition.

● Has Bobby Robson chosen the best option by taking his squad to the desolation of Saltillo, 50 miles outside Monterrey, simply because it is at altitude? Those who have been there, and seen the lack of recreational opportunity, question the wisdom.

Pining for beer and home

It seems that Robson may have forgotten his own experience of 24 years ago when Walter Winterbottom took England to a mountain residence at Coya, outside Rancagua in Chile. The English mining company put every possible facility at the team's disposal yet in less than a week there were half a dozen malcontents pinning for beer and skittles and home.

Bobby Charlton and Jimmy Armfield were scathing about the attitude of some of their colleagues towards the tournament in which more resolution might even have carried them past Brazil, the eventual winners. Short on ability, England are going to need any piece of incidental advantage they can find. An unbroken view of the distant Sierra Madre may eventually pall.

Perhaps Robson was worried about experiencing similar hostile crowd disturbance outside the hotel as Ramsey's squad had in the centre of Guadalajara in 1970. He could have learned more about this and other aspects of Mexico from the extensive knowledge of Sir Alf Ramsey. Strangely, Robson has put off several appointments with the former England manager Sir Alf's knowledge has now been made available, willingly, to Alex Ferguson, instead.

● My suggestion that there is a possibility, in three-day eventing, for riders to be exhorted by the sponsors of their horses beyond the point of discretion, has, predictably, caused some indignation. If sponsors recognize the risk and have voluntarily rejected it, so much the better. Lucinda Green tells me that, with Regal Realm unable to go to the world championships in Australia, her sponsor has not pressed her to enter Shannagh for a course that is "too hilly." So she won't go.